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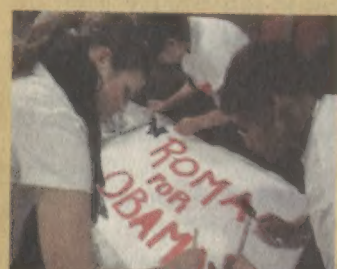
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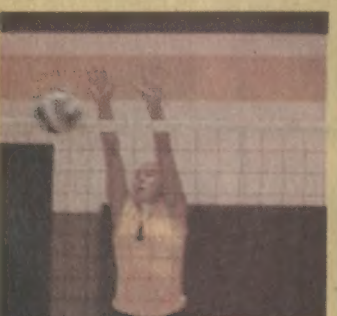
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Students urge local children to get active



Brett Morgan photo

Event Coordinator Caitlin Tyler guides kids through the obstacle course on Saturday.

By Randon Ryland
Staff Writer

Instead of watching a rainy weekend from inside, Wicomico County children enjoyed "Get Active Kids Day 2008," at the Crown Sports Centre. The event was hosted by a group of Salisbury University students, who used it to promote and encourage elementary-school-aged children to make healthy lifestyle decisions. "We all came together with a common interest in health, wellness and leading an active lifestyle," said Caitlin Tyler, the group coordinator.

The group's idea for the event came from their marketing professor, Paula Morris, who assigned a fundraising project to the class. Morris is also president and founder of Kids of Honor, an organization that advocates the importance of the basic skills needed to stay in school, rather than

focusing only on grades. Kids of Honor and the Wicomico County Parent Teacher Association co-sponsored the event, which was organized by the group of students. "We really wanted to do outreach for the kids and community," said Steffan Webster, co-coordinator.

A large section of Crown Sports Centre was reserved where the children enjoyed exercise festivities such as an inflatable obstacle course, relay races, dance lessons, hula hoop and jump rope. "I liked playing capture the flag and toss-the-little-bean-bag-thing and the hoops," said a fifth grade participant. The group of SU students coached the children in soccer scrim-

mages, basketball, capture-the-flag, sack races and other games.

Along with all the exercise activities, there were two vendors selling healthy snacks such as low fat brownies, Quaker rice cakes and vegetables and dip. The children were also given "Get Active" packets which contained several healthy recipes such as chewy molasses ginger cookies and crunchy pear and celery salad. "Chewy fudge brownies: all you do is put apple sauce in them and they're two-thirds better than eggs and oil, and they taste just as good, if not better," Tyler said.

As part of the group's goal to make a noteworthy contribution to the Wicomico community, the profit from the day's activities went to both Kids of Honor and the PTA. According to Tyler, approximately 250 to 300 people were in attendance at Saturday's event.

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Brett Morgan photo

Senior Marissa Manzo shoots some hoops with local children at Saturday's Get Active Kids Day, sponsored by Kids of Honor and PTA.

SU alumna advocates for science and technology



R.L. Pusey photo

Diane Auer, class of '86, returned to SU this past Thursday to speak on the importance of government-funded science and technology.

By Lauren Sadler
Staff Writer

Salisbury alumna Diane Auer Jones, class of '86, came back to her alma mater to speak about the

importance of science and technology funding this past Thursday. The lecture was sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Richard A. Henson School of Science and Technology.

Jones graduated from Salisbury summa cum laude with a 4.0 GPA and Bachelor's degree in biology. She later earned her Master's degree in applied molecular biology from UMBC. She has held many prestigious positions in the government, founded and ran three enterprises in the Baltimore vicinity, and has worked for the Bush administration in the U.S. Department of Education.

Jones' lecture, "Science and Technology Policy: Stimulating Innovation and Ensuring Prosperity," explained how the growth of our country relies on science and technology. "I went to Washington to improve math education and save the environment," Jones said. However, money and bad budgeting were two factors that stood in the way of improving the science programs. Jones explained how Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare would eventually bankrupt the country because the majority of federal money is being spent on those programs. The budgeting will only continue to

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Sarah Lake photo

Democratic candidate Frank Kratovil appears to have the election in the bag, but refuses to celebrate until absentee ballots are counted.

The votes are in... almost

By Michelle Hinkle
Staff writer

Democrat Frank M. Kratovil Jr. pulled ahead of Republican Andy Harris in the first Congressional District Race this week and was encouraged by the Associated Press to celebrate his victory. Kratovil said it is still not time to celebrate.

Kratovil issued a statement thanking those who supported his candidacy. "The most important thing right now is to make sure all remaining votes are counted; representatives from my campaign will work with the Board of Elections in each county to make sure this process goes smoothly," Kratovil said.

Absentee ballots were tallied last Thursday but military and provisional ballots still remain uncounted. Kratovil dominated Cecil and all the Eastern

Shore counties, while Harris pulled strong numbers in Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Harford counties.

A spokesman for Harris said the candidate was not ready to concede the race just yet. "With over 10,000 ballots outstanding, including many from military, regular absentee and provisionals, we are going to wait and look at the numbers," said Harris campaign manager Chris Meekins.

Kratovil is Queen Anne's County's state's attorney. He holds 49 percent of the vote while Harris trails with 48 percent. Currently the absentee ballots made Kratovil the frontrunner by 2,003 votes. Election judges were scheduled to start processing provisional ballots yesterday. Absentee ballots being mailed from overseas still

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UWC minces and munches



R. L. Pusey photo

Writing Center employee Christina Feeney helps students unscramble one of the writing terms. Last week, the University Writing Center minced words and munched candy as they hosted word games including hangman and word scramble while giving out candy in Red Square. Consultants were also on hand to answer questions about their positions and recruit students who are interested in becoming consultants themselves. Applications will be accepted until Nov. 21. For more information contact the Writing Center at 410-543-6332 or check them out online at www.salisbury.edu/uwc.

TUESDAY 11/11/08	WEDNESDAY 11/12/08	THURSDAY 11/13/08	FRIDAY 11/14/08	SATURDAY 11/15/08	SUNDAY 11/16/08	MONDAY 11/17/08
HIGH 54	HIGH 56	HIGH 59	HIGH 66	HIGH 60	HIGH 53	HIGH 54
PARTLY CLOUDY	MOSTLY CLOUDY	SHOWERS	SHOWERS/ WIND	PARTLY CLOUDY	SUNNY	SUNNY
LOW 38	LOW 44	LOW 52	LOW 51	LOW 38	LOW 39	LOW 40

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Briefly Stated

Shakespeare Film Series

SU explores the little-known life of the man behind the best-known plays and poems in history with a screening of the four-part PBS series, "In Search of Shakespeare." Screenings are at 7 p.m. select Mondays in November and December in Caruthers Hall Auditorium.

The series features live interviews, scenes from his plays performed in their original venues and historical clues to piece together the story of Shakespeare's life as it unfolds against the backdrop of England in the throes of a cultural revolution.

Sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs, admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 410-543-6271.

Straight Talk

BTGLASS, along with The Residence Life Diversity Team, will be hosting "Straight Talk," a panel that will address any and all Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) questions. This event is open to all students and faculty. It will be held Monday Nov. 17 in Henson 103 from 7-9 p.m. Please bring your questions and an open mind. Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there! Questions? Feel free to contact us at btglass@salisbury.edu.

Dance Company Showcase

The SU Dance Company, directed by Mary Norton, hosts its 19th Annual Fall Showcase 8 p.m. Wednesday Saturday, Nov. 12-15, in Holloway Hall Auditorium. This popular dance production features premiere works by guest choreographer Amanda Showell-Cook and six company members. This year's showcase benefits Bless Our Children, a WBOC campaign that aims to brighten the holiday season for Delmarva's less fortunate children. Admission for the performance is \$8, \$6 for seniors, teens and SU alumni. Children under 12 and those with an SU ID are admitted free. Reservations are not required. Tickets are available only at the door at 7:30 p.m. each night. For more information call 410-548-2985.

Service Nation plans for the upcoming season

By Alison Schwartz
Staff Writer

Salisbury University senior Michael Piorunski is coordinating several "clean-up" projects around the city of Salisbury. Piorunski got his start under the supervision of Dr. George Whitehead, SU psychology professor and onetime director of the SU Americorp program, which was based out of the Shore Can volunteer center on campus. The organization does not exist anymore due to insufficient funds.

With the help of Dr. Whitehead's connections, Piorunski got involved with the non-profit Service Nation. His goals include helping students find opportunities to give back to the community and keeping people active and involved in civic engagements and public service.

Piorunski's most recent project, which was held Saturday, Nov. 8, included the restoration of a local playground on East

Williams Street. Piorunski and his crew planned to have refreshments and t-shirt giveaways for all volunteers that came to help. Volunteers included a variety of children from elementary to high school age, who volunteered with groups such as the Salisbury Urban Ministry and others from the Church Street neighborhood.

Due to inclement weather, the volunteers only managed to plant a few flowers and bushes before the rain hit.

Piorunski also has plans for the upcoming season. He plans to restore the bay garden on West Main Street next to Brew River. "I would like to redevelop the path using either wood or mulch, put in benches, and plant Eastern Shore native plants," he said. He also plans to clean up the Bay Foundation living shoreline next to the zoo.

Want to get involved? Check your school e-mail for upcoming events and projects so you too can give back to the Salisbury community.



Mike Piorunski photo
Volunteers lined Bay Friendly Garden with trash bags full of weeds and grass clippings on Saturday morning before they were rained out.



Sarah Wright photo
Laura Fletcher, Dr. James Saunders, and Stephanie Phelan discuss Operation Wallacea opportunities for students.

Operation Wallacea gives students a new way to experience the environment

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

Imagine going to a place so remote that it takes about three and a half days just to travel there.

That's what some students from SU experienced last year when they took a trip to a secluded part of Indonesia with Operation Wallacea, a program where students work as volunteers with experts in the biology field in interactive, outdoor research sessions both on land and in water.

This summer, SU students again have the opportunity to research, learn and conserve while exploring a foreign part of the environment as part of the program, which is also known as Opwall.

Dr. James Saunders of Opwall came to SU last Wednesday to talk about the experiences that students can have next year in seven different countries — Indonesia, South Africa and Mozambique, Egypt, Honduras, Cuba and Peru.

There are four stages to carry out in Opwall's locations, and different sites are at various points in the process at any given time. Stages range from exploring the environment of an area to creating sustainable industries for a local community, explained Saunders.

"Everything we do, every single bit of data we collect, goes toward conserving and protecting the environments we're working in," Saunders said.

SU students have the opportunity to be a research assistant or a thesis student as part of Opwall. Research assistants spend two to 10 weeks working with experts in the field on specific projects based around the environment and thesis students spend a minimum of six weeks studying certain subjects they have chosen with the supervision of expert researchers.

There are no requirements to

become involved with Opwall, and Saunders said that the experiences are "open to everyone." Although there is a cost for the trip, fundraising opportunities are available.

Saunders noted that college credit is sometimes available depending on the choice of program, but even if a student cannot receive credit, "this is just a great experience to have. It's a great thing to put on your resume." He added that students who have been part of Opwall often stand out to prospective employers because of the experience.

He added that Opwall is a great way to "meet a lot of people, a lot of contacts and a lot of researchers."

In the seven countries, there are many different things to research and experience. Certain sessions are required, such as weeklong courses that acclimate students to the environment where they will be spending time. After that, Saunders explained, students can choose which of the other weeklong research project sessions they would like to take part in.

"You can get a real diversity of different types of field research in some very special and remote locations," Saunders said.

Laura Fletcher, who went to Indonesia last year with Opwall, said she was able to do lots of field research. "I had hands-on experience the entire time," she said. Fletcher is now a student representative for Opwall and the president of Opwall SU, which will hold its next meeting Wednesday, Nov. 12, from noon-2 p.m. in Henson 213. Students can still get involved for next summer.

Fletcher said of Opwall, "It was the best experience of my life by far."

For more information, students can contact Fletcher at lf31806@students.salisbury.edu or visit www.opwall.com.

Crime Beat

10/30/08 11:05 p.m.
Alcohol Violation

A University Police Officer discovered two individuals in possession of alcoholic beverages in the Devilbiss Parking Lot. Both subjects, one a student and the other not, were under the age of 21 years. Both were issued Civil Citations and a copy of the police report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

11/01/08 11:52 p.m.
Alcohol-Related Illness

University Police was called to assist a non-student guest who was suffering from alcohol intoxication. The individual was transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

11/01/08 3:9 a.m.
Destruction of Property (Hate-Related)

Someone drew swastikas upon material affixed to residents' doors on the 5th floor of Chester Hall. The matter is under investigation by the University Police Department.

11/01/08 2:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Theft

Someone stole a fire extinguisher from the Chester Hall 5th floor hallway.

11/02/08 12:30 a.m.
Malicious Destruction of Property

A student punched the glass panel on a Severn Hall sixth floor stairwell door, causing it to shatter. The student was identified and a copy of the investigative report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

11/02/08 3:00 a.m.
Rape - 2nd Degree

Staff of the Peninsula Regional Medical Center contacted the University Police Department to report that a student was seeking medical treatment as a result of a sexual assault. The University Police Department is investigating the incident, which reportedly occurred in Severn Hall.

11/05/08-11/06/08 2 p.m.-Noon
Theft

A student reported the theft of her bicycle from a rack on the west side of Maggs.

11/07/08 1:05-1:20 p.m.
Theft

A student reported that his bicycle was stolen from the bicycle rack outside of the GUC Fireside Lounge.

Get Active Kids Day

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With the admission charge being \$1 per person, the group was able to raise almost \$300. However, by selling advertisements and attracting sponsors, they were able to raise a total of \$1800.

Kids of Honor dedicates itself to working with children as young as fourth grade up until their high school graduation. It seeks improvement in behavioral areas such as attendance, preparation, organization, cooperation and respect. "In short, we teach struggling children how to behave, rather than categorizing and dismissing them as problem kids. Ultimately, our goal is to guide kids toward high school graduation and an advantageous place in the community," asserts the group's mission statement.

After a day of exciting and healthy activities, the festivities ended and everyone returned home. "I was excited to see all the parents and children come out, people that are actually interested in knowing this information and seeking it out. We just wanted to see a really great turnout for all of our long and hard efforts," Tyler said. She went on to talk about the extensive advertising done by the group, which included the filming of a local television commercial



Caitlin Tyler photo
Seniors Steffan Webster and Monica Merkel prepare healthy snacks such as lowfat brownies, Quaker rice cakes, and veggies with dip. and an appearance on a local radio station. The event planners said optimistically that the event would return next year. For more information students can see Professor Morris or visit www.kidsofthonor.org.

SU celebrates annual National French Week



Sarah Wright photo
Violinist Stephanie Meyers and accordionist Louis Coppola serenade the crowd at Wednesday night's dinner in the Commons Bistro. "To Be and to Have," a French movie about school children, preceded the dinner.

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

Salisbury University celebrated National French Week by sponsoring a variety of activities from November 2-11.

"SU is not the only school having these activities," said French professor Athene White. "It is sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French and the purpose is to make people more aware of the advantages of French language and culture."

White said the events benefit French language students because they get to see a variety of linguistics and culture that they would not see or experience in the classroom. Their involvement with the activities is also part of the Fulton

enhancement, she said.

Wor-Wic College kicked off the event by showing the film "The Diving Bell and the Butterfly" on Sunday, Nov. 2. The movie is about Jean-Dominique Bauby, editor-in-chief of the French *Elle*, who suffers a stroke. It is a story of how Bauby, despite physical obstacles, uses his passion, memories and imagination to live his life to the fullest. The film won two awards, one at the 2007 Cannes Festival and the other from Critic's Choice.

On Wednesday, Nov. 5, Salisbury showed "To Be and to Have," a documentary by Nicolas Philibert. This film takes place in a one-room schoolhouse in Saint-Etienne sur Usson. The movie shows how Georges Lopez teaches 13 students

between the ages of 3 and 10. "We invited middle school French students to see this movie," White said. "Since it was about life in schools in another country, we thought it would be good for them to see."

Following "To Be and to Have" was the French food night at the Commons. They featured a variety of delicious dishes in the Bistro. "I definitely love the food at the Commons during French week," said senior and French minor Jeff Richmond. "They have a lot of food that reminds me of when I studied abroad in France last year. It was also really cool to have the French music playing while I ate."

Two conversation groups met during the week. These were geared towards the French language students, White said. The one at the Gull's Nest was primarily for students to practice whereas the off campus meeting was intended for international French native speakers, the community and intensive students. Both met regularly throughout the year, White said.

The Department of Music co-sponsored "An Evening of French Music" in Holloway Hall Saturday night. The concert featured music performed by the SU Chamber Choir and professors John Wesley Wright and Susan Zimmer.

French week continued on Nov. 9 with another film, "He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not," and concluded with a study abroad discussion led by three students who studied in France earlier this year. "We did some different things this year," White said. "The SU Film Society had a French film last week which made the events longer. We were also fortunate to be working with the music department. They were gracious enough to incorporate their students."

Sarah Wright photo
Senior Bryan Mahoney grabs a croissant at the French dinner. For dessert, Mahoney enjoyed an authentic chocolate eclair.

Congressional Race

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need to be processed as well. Votes postmarked by Election Day are expected to come in throughout the week.

If the current numbers stand, the Democratic landslide will continue. Kratovil calls himself a moderate who is conservative enough to be endorsed by the Republican who used to hold the seat, Wayne Gilchrest. Gilchrest crossed party lines when he announced his support for Kratovil rather than Harris. Kratovil said he is not an absolutist.

"The more you know, the more difficult those decisions become—the closer the truth

comes to the middle," Kratovil said. Kratovil wants to increase domestic oil production, expand health care accessibility and tackle the illegal immigration problem.

Harris was elected to the Senate in 1998 and has served three terms in the Maryland General Assembly. Having won Republican nomination for Congress in the first congressional district in February, Harris is known for being one of the state's most conservative representatives. He is expected to issue a statement conceding the election early sometime this week.



Sarah Wright photo
Republican candidate Andy Harris is soon expected to issue a concession.

Auer Lecture

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increase in the future, leaving less and less money for science, Jones said.

After explaining the context of federal policy, Jones was proud to say that even with the government's budgeting dilemmas, she and her colleagues in the Office of Science and Technology Policy under the Bush administration have received the most generous funding for space since the Kennedy era of space exploration.

Even though the program received a copious amount of money, it was spread thin between competitive science organizations and many other associations such as community police, the Department of Justice, special education and earmarks like the Auburn Textile Center.

Although Congress members wanted to allot money to the science programs, they could not because of

earmarks and promises to their district for community policing, Jones said.

There are many opportunities for research and innovation with the money supporting science. The environment, for example, faces issues concerning clean water, climate change, oceans, safety and security of the food supply, adequate food supply, emissions and erosion, Jones said. There are also many matters dealing with health, information technology, nanotechnology, biology, space science, engineering, materials science and physics.

With opportunities come challenges. The biggest challenge the science program faces is that it is not an election issue, Jones said. Another challenge is that science is slow and incremental in advancing. "People just don't understand that science takes time," Jones said. Science is

also hard to prioritize among fields and opportunities and it is hard to evaluate the productivity of basic research. "As the budget shrinks, we have to choose which fields we want to prioritize," Jones said.

"With science, the world is changed, lives are improved, the environment is protected, and the universe can be understood," Jones said. As a scientist and innovator, Jones is leaving her mark on the world.

Jones is currently president and CEO of The Washington Campus, which explains what issues are being debated in Washington and how policy and decision making work.

"When you think back on your career, you remember certain students, and the best one I had was Diane Auer. I think she can serve as an inspiration to students today," said Provost Dr. Tom Jones.

SGA promotes SU/community relations with I Love Salisbury

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Recent inappropriate and reckless behavior throughout SU's surrounding neighborhoods has caused the SGA to act as more and more community members file complaints against the University and its students.

"These acts of destruction and vandalism are not necessarily the students, but they are linking it to the school," said Pat Gotham, SGA Vice President of External Affairs.

To promote University and community relations, the SGA is hosting the "I Love Salisbury" campaign, offering students a chance to clean up their image. "We're getting everyone to realize and recognize that we're all responsible for the care of the community," Gotham said, "even if we only live here a few months a year."

The first event of the campaign is a community clean-up on Sunday, Nov. 16 from 12-3 p.m.

The activity focuses on Camden neighborhoods and cleaning up leaves with the residents of the area. SGA hopes the event will be a starting point to form, strengthen and maintain a positive relationship between both parties.

"We want this to continue throughout the year," Gotham said. Additional campaigns will begin in time as larger ongoing efforts are made to reach out to the Residence Halls and to have RAs host programs about night etiquette, which is the major complaint made by the community.

"Neighbors are getting fed up with the students," Gotham said. In one instance, an angry resident called Gotham and explained how two people had ripped out their fence posts and began throwing them to the street towards traffic. "The caller was absolutely outraged by what had happened," he said.

While not all vandalism can be attributed to students, the neighborhoods seem to link these acts of reckless behavior due to the

presence of alcohol, which they link to college students.

It's unlikely that those involved in the handling of fence posts would consider aiding in the "I Love Salisbury" campaign, and SGA recognizes that. So as an incentive, they are inviting all those involved to join the partners of the Camden clean-up in front of Holloway Hall for a post-event BBQ.

In the end, it comes down to showing that the University and its students care about Salisbury as a whole, Gotham said. "Salisbury can be our community too." While the SGA is not demanding perfection on the part of the students, they are asking for common sense. "We don't want to tell students you're bad. We want to encourage them to become part of a larger community," Gotham said.

As the semester continues, only time will tell if the efforts of the SGA can clean up the community's distaste for the students.

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Voters pick Obama, Democrats in election



Times Online photo

President Elect Barack Obama and his family (Sasha, Malia, and Michelle) celebrate his victory at the Obama camp in Chicago on Tuesday night, just before he delivered his victory speech.

By Jeremy Riffe
Global Editor

Last Tuesday, in a resounding rejection of the Republican Party, voters across the United States elected Sen. Barack Obama president, and expanded the Democratic Party's majorities in the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Obama's victory came in an electoral landslide, winning at least 365 electoral votes to Sen. John McCain's 162. The results in Missouri are currently too close to call before absentee and provisional ballots are counted, however, the state, and its 11 electoral votes, are likely to be given to the Arizona Republican, giving McCain a total of 173 electoral votes.

Obama carried all 19 states and the District of Columbia that Sen. John Kerry carried in 2004, while also gaining victories in nine other states, including Indiana and Virginia which had not been carried by a Democratic nominee since 1964.

The popular vote was closer than the electoral. The current tally has Obama winning

65,431,955 votes, 53 percent of the popular vote, to McCain's 57,434,084, or 46 percent of the vote. Obama is the first Democratic nominee to win more than 50 percent of the popular vote since Jimmy Carter won 50.1 percent in 1976.

The majority of elections for seats in the House of Representatives, all 435 of which are up for election every two years, went to Democrats. Going into Tuesday, the House consisted of a Democratic majority of 233 to the Republican minority of 202. After the election, the Democratic Party has a majority of at least 252 versus the Republicans' 175. Six races are yet to be called, and two Louisiana races require runoffs, which will be decided Dec. 4.

In the Senate, the Democratic Party has gained five seats, expanding its effective majority to 57, including two Independents who caucus with the Democrats, while the Republicans control 40 seats. Three races are currently unresolved.

Alaska's race between Republican incumbent Ted Stevens, recently convicted on felony corruption charges, and

Anchorage mayor Mark Begich, is too close to call before absentee and provisional ballots are counted. Georgia's race will go to a runoff because Republican incumbent Saxby Chambliss failed to win more than 50 percent of the vote. Minnesota's race between Republican incumbent Norm Coleman and comedian Al Franken is undergoing a mandatory recount because Coleman's margin of victory is less than 1,000 votes.

Referendums also featured prominently in the election. In Maryland, voters passed two ballot initiatives allowing slot machines and early voting. Arizona, California and Florida each passed measures banning same-sex marriage. Arkansas passed an initiative banning any unmarried "sexual partners" from adopting children; though including heterosexuals, the initiative was expressly directed at same-sex couples. Colorado voted down a state constitutional amendment defining conception as being the beginning of a human life. Washington became the second state, after Oregon, to pass a measure allowing doctor-assisted suicide.

Alaska's race between Republican incumbent Ted Stevens, recently convicted on felony corruption charges, and

Obama win sparks positive international reaction



thehuffingtonpost.com photo
Two young Israeli women embrace upon learning that Barack Obama would be the next United States President.

By Daniel McElwain
Staff Writer

With the announcement that Barack Obama is to be the 44th President of the United States, Obama supporters across the country erupted in cheers and celebration. Tens of thousands were with Obama in Chicago, and thousands more were outside the White House and in Boston, Massachusetts. In Atlanta, the youngest daughter of Martin Luther King Jr. congratulated the win as a new dawn for the United States. The shouts of joy and sentiments of a new age for the United States were similarly echoed across the world by not only American citizens overseas but by citizens of other countries as well.

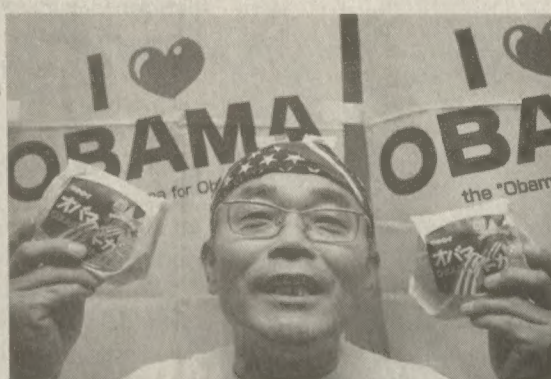
The one place where the feelings about Obama's win were nearly as strong as in the U.S. would be within the continent of Africa. In the East African nation of Kenya, the celebrations were the most intense, as Kenyans celebrated Obama as their adopted son. Obama's late father originated from Kogelo, Kenya and the small village became the epicenter of celebrations. Kenya's President Mwai Kibaki went as far as to declare Thursday a national holiday. Many Africans hope that with Obama as president, the United States will pay more attention to Africa, build up ties with South Africa, and resolve the conflicts within the Horn of Africa region. The fact that Obama was not a person of a minority ethnicity also brings optimism that anyone can do anything not only in Africa but Asia as well.

Former classmates of Obama celebrated his win Thursday by having a party in their old classroom at State Elementary

School Menteng 01, a school in Indonesia's capital Jakarta. The school itself was the source of false accusations against Obama when a conservative magazine reported that it was a strict Islamic school, which could not have been further from the truth as people of all faiths attend the institution. The election was also followed closely in the small Japanese village of Obama, which hopes to capitalize on Obama's win for much needed tourism vital to the local economy and even hopes that the president-elect will visit the small village.

In Europe, like much of the world, the sentiment was the same from West to East. In France, where parties were enthusiastic, a side-effect of Obama's win has begun to take place among France's Arab and black minorities. Called "The Movement," the organization hopes to bring diversity and better political rights for France's small and discriminated minorities.

In the Middle-East, sentiment for Obama's win was split between hopeful and pessimistic. Many are relieved that President Bush will soon be no longer in command, but there are those who are waiting to see if Obama's policies in the Middle East will differ from those of his predecessor. Middle-Eastern leaders have already appealed to Obama less than a week after his election to bring peace to the region.



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Koichi Morii, an Obama citizen, celebrates his victory in Western Japan on Wednesday night.

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November 12
1981-The Space Shuttle Columbia becomes the first spacecraft to be launched twice.

November 13
1901-The 1901 Caister Lifeboat Disaster. 1990-The World Wide Web first began.

November 14
1922-The BBC begins radio service in the United Kingdom.

November 15
1969-Vietnam War: In Washington, D.C., 250,000-500,000 protesters staged a peaceful demonstration against the war, including a symbolic "March Against Death."

November 16
2000-Bill Clinton becomes the first U.S. President to visit Vietnam since the end of the Vietnam War.

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Dalai Lama disappointed with China peace talks

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

Last week the Dalai Lama said he is losing faith that new talks with the Chinese government produce any advances in solving disputes regarding his native Tibet.

"Things are not improving inside Tibet," said the Dalai Lama in a news conference in Japan on Nov. 3. "Our approach has failed to bring some positive changes inside Tibet."

The Dalai Lama fled to India after a failed Tibetan uprising against Chinese rule in 1959.

The 73-year-old exiled leader says he seeks a "middle way." He does not call for absolute independence but does seek more autonomy from China in order to preserve Tibet's unique Buddhist culture and allow them to practice their customs freely.

However, China, which has governed the once independent Tibet since 1959, has accused the

Dalai Lama of leading a campaign to split the Himalayan region from China.

"His 'disappointment' shows his reluctance to give up his stance to seek Tibetan independence," said China's state run Xinhua News Agency in a Nov. 4 report.

The Dalai Lama also told reporters that his faith in the Chinese government was "becoming thinner, thinner, thinner." Regardless of these comments, talks just ended between the Dalai Lama's envoys and the Chinese government.

The envoys represent the Tibetan government in exile in Dharmasala, in northern India. They left Beijing Nov. 5. In a statement the envoys said that they had been asked by Tibetan leaders to not discuss the talks because of an upcoming meeting of Tibetan exiles planned for Nov. 17-22.

However, state media said China rejected any form of independence, even semi-independence.

These were the first talks held since the Beijing Olympics, and the eighth round since 2002. The last formal talks between the two groups ended in a standoff. China had ordered the Dalai Lama prove he did not truly encourage Tibetan independence, and also that they would not disrupt the Olympics.

Relations have been especially tense this year. Last March, a peaceful demonstration critical of Chinese rule turned violent in the Tibetan capital of Lhasa. Beijing has said that over 19 people were killed in the riots, hundreds of shops were destroyed and Chinese civilians were attacked.

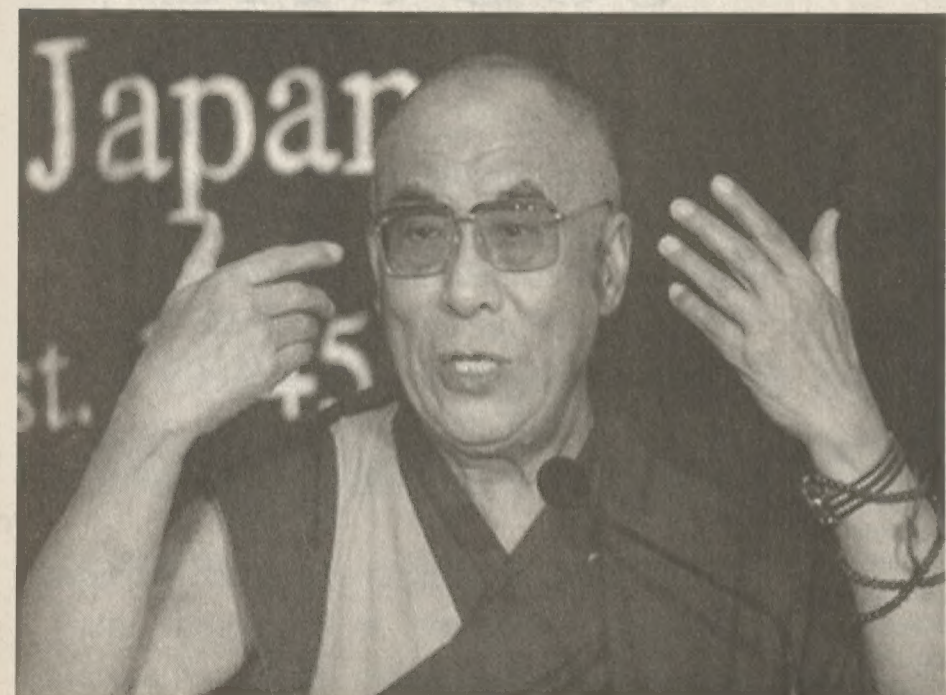
The Chinese government accused the Dalai Lama of organizing the riot in order to disrupt the Olympic Games, which took place in Beijing in August.

In response, China initiated a concentrated effort to maintain order in Tibet, and Tibetan exile groups have said that over 1400 people died and more than 1000

were detained. Some human rights groups claim that the number of deaths is considerably higher than what was reported.

To further complicate negotiations, last week China sentenced 55 of the Tibetan rioters for their actions last March. The prison sentences range from three years to life, Xinhua reported.

However, the report did not comment on how the verdicts were given and what kind of trial, if any, the prisoners received.



AP photo

The Dalai Lama expressed his disappointment with the Chinese government and the lack of progress in Tibet at a Nov. 3 news conference in Japan. "Our approach has failed to bring some positive changes inside Tibet," he said.



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Scientists examine a frozen baby mastodon found in Russia last year. They are hoping to use this latest cloning technique to revive the mastodon species.

New cloning technique may resurrect mammoths

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

Scientists from Japan have successfully cloned mice that have been frozen for as long as 16 years. Teruhiko Wakayama led the research team from the Center for Developmental Biology, where they developed a technique for making essentially identical genetic copies of the frozen mice. The cloning technique was once used by Scottish scientists to make Dolly, the first cloned sheep.

The new research may someday be used to save extinct or endangered species whose bodies have been frozen in Arctic permafrost. Scientists believe they may even be able to resurrect mammoths.

Since the cells of the mice were frozen, they were also damaged. Freezing causes cells to burst and damage the DNA inside typically rendering them useless for cloning purposes. Chemicals called cry-

oprotectants can prevent this from occurring if used before the cells are frozen; the chemicals were not used on the frozen mice in Wakayama's experiment.

Wakayama and his colleagues, however, were able to clone the mice even though their cells had burst. The team used the classic nuclear transfer technique, which involves taking the nucleus out of an egg cell and replacing it with the nucleus of an ordinary cell from the animal to be cloned. If done with the right chemical or electric trigger, the egg will start dividing as if it was fertilized by sperm.

Scientists tried using a variety of cells but had the most success with those from the brain. However, cloning has never been performed using brain cells from a living mouse.

This is not the first time an animal has been cloned after being frozen. Cattle have been cloned this way, but only after their cells

underwent special preparations before freezing. The tissue was also kept at extremely cold temperatures. This is the first time DNA taken directly from frozen tissue was successfully used to make clones.

Mammoths are the extinct animals that are most likely to be cloned with this technique, since many of them have been found preserved in ice. In July 2007, Russian scientists discovered the body of a baby mammoth that was frozen for as long as 40,000 years in the Arctic Yamalo-Nenetsk region. This newly found mammoth may be a candidate for the experimental cloning.

Scientists are unsure of what the outcome would be if they were to attempt the new cloning technique on extinct species. It is agreed, though, that the experiment may be useful in the future to save endangered animals from extinction.

California says yes to Prop 8

By Laura Dignan
Staff Writer

In last Tuesday's election, California voters decided yes on Proposition 8, an amendment to the state constitution that bans same-sex marriage. It passed by a narrow victory of 52 percent in favor over 48 percent against, and won 42 of the state's 58 counties.

"I was disappointed by that," said Robert Cogdell, president of Salisbury University's BT GLASS (Bisexual, Transgender, Gay, Lesbian and Straight Supporters). "We believe that everyone should have the right to marry, and that to deny marriage to one particular group is no different than denying another group the right to vote."

Earlier this year, California's Supreme Court ruled that

same-sex marriage was legal in the state and this decision has now been overturned. The campaign for Yes on 8 raised about \$40 million while the No on 8 raised around \$34 million.

Florida and Arizona were two other states that voted Tuesday on ballot initiatives concerning same-sex marriage. Both measures passed. With the three new bans on

same-sex marriage, there are now 30 states total that ban same-sex marriage in their constitutions.

When same-sex marriage was legalized in the spring, an estimated 18,000 gay and lesbian couples from other states were married in California. Since only marriage

None the less I believe there is a time for every minority to overcome."

While this decision was a big loss for gay rights activists, Obama's victory on Tuesday and his promise of change soothed many of those against Prop 8.

"We have Obama," said San Francisco resident Noelle Skool in a Nov. 5 Reuters article. "Eventually they'll warm up to the fact that we're all equal."

As of Friday, an estimated three million votes were yet to be tallied for Prop 8, but many say it is not enough to close the gap of 500,000 between yes and no. The California Secretary of State will publish the official final election results on Dec. 9.

Many of those against Prop 8 are still remaining hopeful.

"I look towards the future," Cogdell said. "And know that when we look back, future generations will question our reasoning for banning same sex marriage and other anti-gay laws, and wonder why our current generation is so homophobic."

YES ON PROPOSITION 8

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California residents voted 52 to 48 percent in favor of Prop. 8, an amendment to the state constitution that bans same-sex marriage.

between a man and a woman is now legal, experts have said that the nullification of existing gay marriages will be decided in court.

"I know some are petitioning against it, but California is in for one sticky situation," Cogdell said. "One of the arguments is that gay marriage shouldn't have been on the ballot because it should have reached [the state] senate first."

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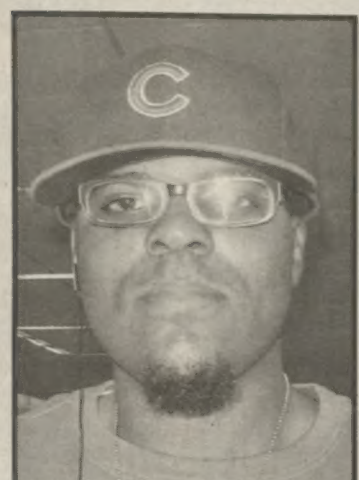
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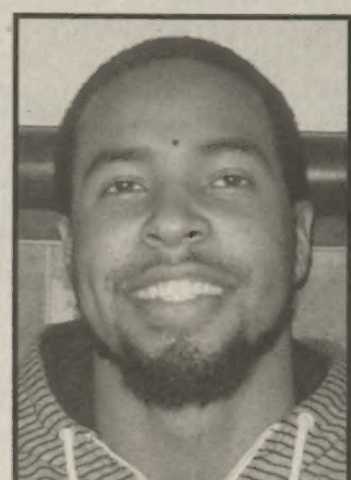
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What kind of puppy do you think Barack Obama should bring to the White House?



"He should get them a chihuahua."

Joe Austin - junior



"A boxer."

Jacobi Crawley - junior



"A jack russell."

Kaitlin Ray - freshman



"They should get a puggle."

Lauren Hill - freshman



"A doberman."

Nathan Larson - sophomore



"A hound, like from 'The Fox And The Hound.' So cute."

Tyler Martin - junior

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Government can't fix health care system

By Zachary Caceres
Staff Writer

Each year it seems that health care in America becomes less affordable. For this election cycle, like many in the past, politicians have promised "reform" and a "restructuring" of the system. We are simultaneously promised cheaper costs and better quality. Yet somehow, despite new bills, programs and expanded government oversight, our problems with healthcare seem only to worsen. Why? It's simple: government brought about the very problems that we now demand it to solve.

Healthcare, like any good or service, is traded in a marketplace — i.e. it is bound by the laws of supply and demand. A short supply of insurance providers, for instance, will drive up premiums. However, many competing companies will uniformly lower prices to entice consumers. It seems our government has forgotten this simple principle, since state and federal leaders increasingly legislate against inter-state competition for insurance. Medicare alone

has 130,000 pages of regulations tying the hands of doctors. Our government mandates specific items for coverage including many which the average consumer has no reason to purchase, such as electric-shock therapy, acupuncture, or a marriage counselor. What is the logical end to these demands imposed on providers? Incredibly high prices.

The average consumer has no trouble purchasing bread. But what do you think would happen if only bread made from wheat grown in your state were stocked? How about if each loaf had to have exactly 12 slices of precise dimensions? How about a certain color and thickness twist-tie on the bag? If you were required to purchase a stick of butter with each loaf? The results are obvious; bread would suddenly become a costly, but necessary, commodity.

The difference, many will claim, is that people can survive without bread but sick people cannot survive without healthcare. This leads many to mistakenly label healthcare as a "right" and elevate it beyond the bounds

of basic economic truths. But the facts don't change; a free-market on healthcare would have precisely the same effect that it has on the abundant, inexpensive commodities that we daily enjoy. In fact, this unavoidable human need for healthcare should inspire us all the more to free up the medical markets.

Besides, the alternative has been tried all around the world; universal healthcare fails miserably even compared to our "broken" mixed system. Our own similar program, Medicare, will likely be bankrupt in a decade. International systems are plagued by billions in spending deficits and massive waiting lists that often cost patients their lives. Under universal healthcare physicians move overseas, unable to practice and fearful of lawsuit. In fact, people from around the world flock to America's hospitals for quality treatment and to practice medicine. We must avoid the same pitfalls now plaguing other nations. America has had all the healthcare "reform" it can handle. It's time we return to the simplest and best alternative: the free-market.



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The Rules of Sudoku

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution. Good luck.

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Difficulty Rating: Medium

Solution to last week's puzzle:

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New eco-friendly cars may not be as sustainable as projected

By Eric J. Buratty
Staff Writer

Did you know a new carmaker recently came up with a plan to introduce air-powered cars in America? It would not only be environmentally friendly but very cheap for consumers. Inventor Guy Negre heads a French company with the name Zero Pollution Motors which develops these vehicles. This technology has actually been around for decades, but its recent emergence is accountable because of the contemporary laws of limiting carbon dioxide emissions and for the relatively high cost of gas (despite recent drops in the price at the pump). Certainly, as with everything else, there are advantages and disadvantages to futuristic having these types of cars on the road.

The advantages primarily reflect its readily accessible status in the near future (by 2009 or 2010), providing that it does pass a federal crash test that is yet to come. This is coupled with the fact that building such a car is not rocket science. The plan is to have plants in every state for easy allocation too.

Reuters photo
Guy Negre, head of French company MDI Enterprises, sits behind the wheel of one of his cars, which runs entirely on compressed air.

These cars can travel at a top speed of 35 miles per hour for some 60 miles or so on a tank of compressed air (which is considered a sufficient distance for 80 percent of consumers to commute to work and back and complete daily errands). Finally, the price of the car will just reach over \$20,000, which is fairly reasonable for a new vehicle these days.

On the other hand, the disadvantages stem from their compact size: since these cars have yet to be crash tested, the chance of them failing is greater than it will be for passing. Another disadvantage is that 35 miles per hour is not all that fast. This especially must be taken into consideration for its availability by the years 2009 or 2010. We live in an increasingly fast-paced society. That is, people generally accumulate more responsibilities, become busier, and thus have faster-paced lifestyles each succeeding year. That alone will make it difficult for people to keep up with this and other types of technological developments.

The unfortunate fact is that most consumers will likely hesitate on such energy innovations, especially if they make life less efficient and if people are unfamiliar with the developments. With the few disadvantages outweighing the advantages, 35 miles per hour is borderline ride-on bus speed, so people will not change their fast-paced lifestyles to be consistent with helping the environment. Hence this presents a paradoxical outcome: the energy put forth making these cars will ultimately do more harm to the environment than it will do good for the very few people who might drive them.

University expansion could relieve annual registration woes

By Bethany Jeffries
Staff Writer

Registration depends on credits earned or transferred here at Salisbury; I believe that process applies to almost every school.

And for most, it works well. Figuring out a major, developing a four year plan, then registering for classes is one of the most important things a student will ever do while attending a university. But why is it that the only credential for registering for classes is the amount of credit hours earned? In that instance, seniors and juniors are given the benefit of the doubt that they are following in their four year path and registering for the higher level classes. Yet some

are registering for classes that they did not take during their early years, and filling up classes that freshmen and sophomores need to take, and are being forced out of.

How many students, waking up before 7 a.m. to register for classes, found that the classes they had been planning to take were closed due to a full roster? It's a common situation, especially with some classes in high demand, whether it be due to popularity or being required for a major. But what happens to those freshmen and sophomores, even juniors, who aren't able to register for higher classes, even with the needed requirements? If a student needs a class to stay on target, shouldn't Salisbury offer that course?

Salisbury needs to expand their faculty, a virtual impossibility since the hiring freeze on the whole University System of Maryland. If the demands of the students are not being met, it is the responsibility of the University to expand to meet the class expectations of the students. So many times, you heard people talking the day after a registration deadline, "Aw man, I didn't get this one class," or "That class closed up before I could get in!" If there is an increased demand for a class, shouldn't there be more classes offered? This could increase the population of the university, of the faculty, and maybe even make way for the expansion of the school.

California rejects same-sex marriage
Ballot initiative Prop. 8 succeedsAP photo
Protesters march down Santa Monica Blvd. in West Hollywood, Calif. this past Wednesday during a "No on Prop 8" rally.By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

California's voters have spoken: gay marriage is not allowed in their state. Naturally, this has upset many people who wonder why their right to wed is being taken away. Aren't they people too? Yes, their relationship status appears different from that of a heterosexual couple, but aren't they also people in a loving relationship that want to further their bond with marriage? Who are we to say that they cannot? We just elected the first biracial President into the White House, so I say that

as a nation should keep moving forward and allow these couples to live their lives as they choose. With all the progress we have made, attested to by Obama's victory, how is it that we can take so many steps back?

I believe that people should be able to get married to whomever they want. It is so hard to find someone you are completely happy and comfortable with, who loves you, supports you and overall completes your life. Any person having found this should be able to marry him or her and not have to deal

with the ramifications of those afraid or so close-minded that they hinder the lives of these same-sex couples in order to preserve "sanity" in the world. Does two people devoting their lives to each other, whether they're gay or straight, affect anybody but the people involved? The answer is no.

In Massachusetts, gay marriage has been legal for 4 years, and as you can see — the world did not end. Why can't we just mind our own businesses and allow them to live their lives as they see fit? No harm can come of this, it is just people ultimately scared of how America is slowly but surely changing. Also, I believe that taking away other individuals' personal rights to find love, happiness and marriage is very narrow-minded. Open your eyes and see that America is changing. If there is love, commitment, and honesty, what is the problem?

I strongly believe that these individuals deserve to pursue relationships that allow for the fulfillment and enrichment of their lives. If heterosexual couples can, why can't same-sex couples? It saddens me to know that that while history has been made by one minority, another suffers from intolerance and ignorance. We are living in 2008 but still letting churches dictate to everyone what is right and wrong. The bottom line is: anyone who is in love should be able to get married. Love is love, no matter the sex.

Dawn of a new era

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

It is finally over. A new president has been elected and I got to participate. Even though the outcome might not be what I wanted, it is still the beginning of a new era. The world erupted in cheers Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning as they watched Americans make history. It is mindboggling that the entire world was watching to see what would happen.

There are many who are elated and many who are upset. I am neither. I cannot say that I am particularly thrilled that Obama will be the president, but I know I would feel the same if it were McCain.

I do have fears concerning Obama's presidency and they are not all based on his policies. The discussion of his policies would take way too long as it would for McCain if he were the president-elect. I fear that this election will divide America instead of uniting it. I fear that we will have an us-versus-them mentality, not because of race, but because of party.

I found it disgusting that so many Facebook statuses were

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With the 2008 election coming to a close, the country enters a new era with Barack Obama.

changed to show disgruntled opinions and disrespect toward Obama. I found it disgusting that people separated themselves based on party and race. I was thrilled when people conceded in the same manner as McCain. I find this almost as disgusting as the fact that it took a terrorist attack to unite America.

A friend of mine told me that he did not celebrate and cheer when Obama was elected because he did not think it was a victory for the Democrats; he called it a victory for America. He said something that I wish everyone

would realize; it is not about Republicans versus Democrats, it is about coming together and being Americans. It does not matter now if you do not like him, Barack Obama is the president-elect. I fear that if Obama makes a mistake everyone will point fingers and say, "I told you so." We cannot stoop to that level. Even if you do not agree with him or like him, you should still respect him. I hate it when people have the countdowns to when Bush or Obama will be out of office. It is highly disrespectful, and trust me, we could not do their job.

I may not have agreed with Obama or McCain during their campaigns. I may not have voted for Obama. Despite my differences with the president-elect, he is my president. Therefore, I respect him. I hope he can do everything he can to change America for the better. I hope he proves me wrong. I hope that we can overcome our differences with each other and unite once again instead of dividing ourselves. And finally, I am proud to be an American.

Question in a bottle

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

21: the age a handful of adults cannot wait to reach as it marks the point in their lives where they can legally drink. There is no more hassle to buy fake IDs or worry about getting caught—not to mention the harsh treatment and discipline if caught. However, recent debate shows

interest in lowering the drinking age to 18.

The reason why the age was raised from 18 to 21 in 1984 was to lower drunk driving accidents. States not abiding by this would lose 10 percent of highway funds. Since 1984, the rate of death accidents has fallen but the rate of death binge drinking on campuses has risen.

Binge drinking occurs on cam-

pus across the United States and college presidents have asked numerous politicians to lower the drinking age. By doing this, college students would not have to sneak around to drink and would be more responsible—it would be legal and in the open. Setting the age for legal drinking at 18 would also teach adults how to drink moderately and not binge drink or become raging alcoholics.

Others claim that lowering the drinking age would cause the rate of accidents to rise again. However, with better technology in safety features in cars, medical care and stricter traffic laws this is proven false.

Another important influence is parents. Parents set high expectations for their children as well as attitudes. These pressures influence the way young adults will act and live in college—drinking or not.

Lowering the drinking age to 18 is one of the ways to eliminate binge drinking on campuses as well as make adults drink moderately and responsibly. While some people agree with this new proposal, others disagree. Is it more important to save our youth or continue to let them sneak around and get hurt?



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The debate over whether or not the drinking age should be lowered to 18 continues, and valid arguments are posed by both sides.

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SOAP hosts coffee house jam session



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In addition to many originals, musician John West entertained the audience with smooth covers such as Bill Withers' "Ain't No Sunshine."

By Ashlee Laughlin
Staff Writer

SOAP kicked off the month of November by hosting a Coffee House concert Wednesday night from 7-9 p.m. in the Wiconico Room with performances by Rock/Pop soul-singers Andy Grammer and John West. The night-club atmosphere set the tone for the sultry music presented by the two artists. The radiance of soft red and yellow illumination gave off a real "coffee-shop" flavor as did the various baked goods and refreshments available.

The Coffee House concert started out with the acoustic sounds of songster West. This funky guitar player shared his relatable lyrics with the audience. West had a smooth style and lots of charisma, which he displayed while singing the words of his own written lyrics and strumming the strings of his guitar. He went from upbeat to a slow tempo

sharing his life experiences of love, life and music. His raspy voice wrapped the audience around his finger. His charming approach captured everyone and developed a sense of melodic admiration between the audience and himself.

The concert ended with the crooning tunes of singer/songwriter Grammer, a Los Angeles native with the influence of rhythm and blues vocalists such as Switchfoot, John Mayer and Jack Johnson. Grammer's eclectic sound warmed the hearts of many and softly kissed the cheek of every woman in the room while he sang the tunes from his new album "The World Is Yours." After



Brett Morgan photo

Andy Grammer warmed the hearts of many and softly kissed the cheek of every woman in the room.

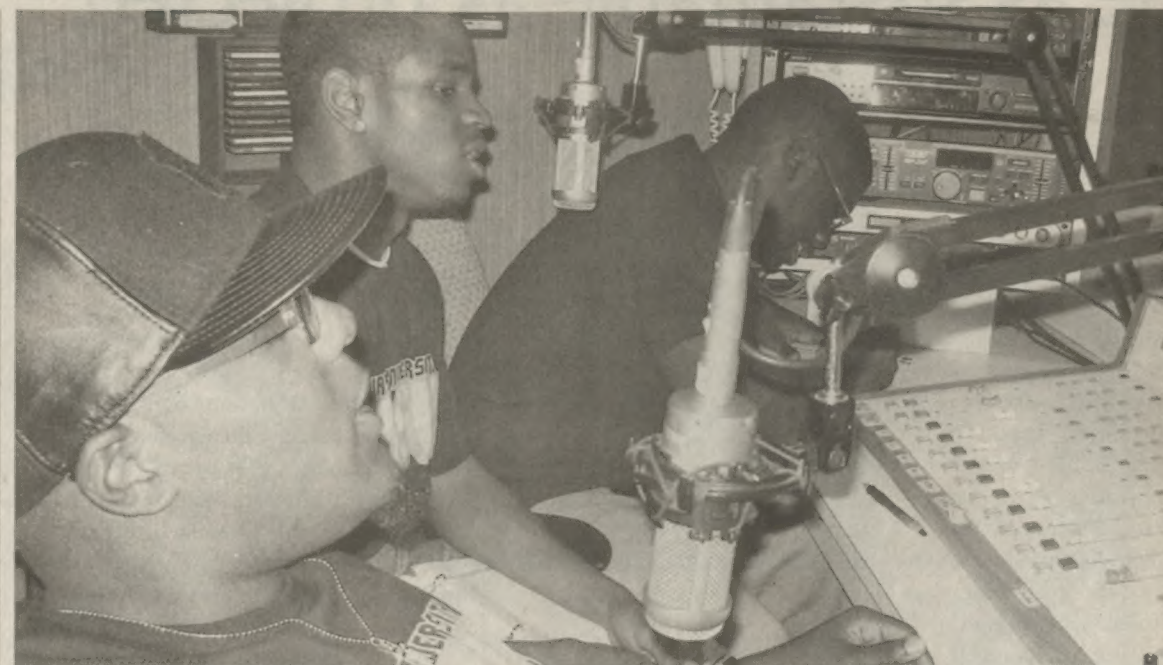
he finished his performance, there was a flood of newly-captured fans in line to purchase the album.

Despite the chill from the wind and the pouring rain, the concert was a true success. After the performances came to an end, the crowd flooded the entertainers with applause. The SOAP team pulled together yet again to present students with the newest sounds.

"Grammer and West are the two most down to earth, coolest guys around. The concert went well," said Brad Deise, concert chairperson. Deise extended an invitation for West and Grammer to return to SU for another coffee-shop affair.

Both Grammer and West have taken a new and improved

approach to the music scene. They proved that their music is worth being listened to by students on campuses around the country and soon will be able to reach even more fans across the globe on the air waves. Both artists are touring and performing at different venues from state to state. You can find videos, biographies, pictures and tour dates on their Myspace pages.



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Aaron Bruce, Joe Austin, and Fred Hobbs, AKA "The Triple Threat," air the No Doubt Radio Show on Friday and Saturday nights. They discuss various issues concerning college students, feature special guests and play music.

"The Triple Threat" hits the air waves

By Alyana Gomez
Staff Writer

Since Oct. 3, SU's radio station, WXSU, has been hit with the "Triple Threat." Aaron Bruce, Joe Austin and Fred Hobbs, also known as the "Triple Threat," have introduced a new style to the radio industry. Bruce and Hobbs are sophomores and Austin is a junior. The three hosts discuss various issues regarding college students, such as sex, health, relationships and politics. WXSU is a student-run radio station that allows students to be heard and inform the student body.

The trio got the idea to start a radio show - but not just any radio show. This show is a biblically based, unscripted freestyle that allows anyone with a good issue or topic to either call in or come on the air and discuss their thoughts with the three hosts.

Fridays is the Spotlight Show, which runs from 9 p.m. to midnight, or whenever people stop calling in. This show usually brings forth heated debates and hot topics. Each and every student can relate to these issues. They recently had a show discussing politics and President-Elect Barack Obama. It was a heated debate but with insightful views on the subject. "The bigger the topic, the more we want to hear people's perspectives," Bruce said.

On Saturday night from 7 to 9 p.m., they have a music mix for all of the listeners. The DJs play music of all different genres including gospel, hip-hop, rock, r&b, gogo, rap, pop and alternative. They also have a recap of the different topics that were discussed on their Spotlight Show the night before. Bruce, Austin and Hobbs also have a group on Facebook called "Triple Threat on Salisbury Radio"

that students can join and stay in the loop about upcoming events. Since Facebook is one of the most known forms of communication for students, they encourage members to message them with any ideas for the show. About a week ago, they had a few young women on the show sharing their thoughts on men and their likes and dislikes. A similar show centered around cheating is planned for the future. Hobbs explained the meaning of their name, "The Triple Threat," by saying they all have different flows. "Joe is the idealistic visionary, Aaron is the energy of the group, and I am the voice," Hobbs said.

Their goal is to be the biggest show to hit Salisbury and be able to relate to and influence all types of people. "The Triple Threat" hope that more students will come join their impact and help build a new foundation for SU radio.

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"My boyfriend has been abusing me. He tried to choke me and he threw me off my bed and left me bruised and cut. He tells me he loves me and I love him so I want to give him another chance. My friends are starting to worry and I don't want him to find out they know. How can I get out of this relationship?"

Whatever you do and however you handle it, do not stay in this relationship. As much as you think he is going to stop abusing you, he is not. I can tell you that as much as you want to fix him, you can't. It's not your place to fix him and you can't change another person. He needs to want to get help. He needs to realize that he has to go and be a big man and do it.

And if he's so sorry for being violent with you and if it's so unforgivable, why does he think it is ok for him to do it again? That's the vicious cycle of abuse. They beat you up, apologize for it, then they go through the honeymoon phase where you pretend nothing happened and then it happens again.

You need to get out of that relationship, even if it means leaving when he is not around. I can not stress to you how important that is. Is trying to fix him worth you losing your life? Without even knowing you, I can tell you it's not. See Counseling Services or contact the campus or local police for more information on how to get out of this relationship alive.

"I'm starting to fall behind in almost all of my classes. I want to get my grades up before Thanksgiving break, but I just need some motivation and study tips!"

Talk to your professors and see if there is any extra credit work you can complete over the holiday break. They will be happy to see you trying to bring up your grade and might be willing to offer you more work.

If you are having trouble paying attention in class, tape record your professors' lectures to listen to later. If you find it hard to study by yourself, study in a group and see if that improves your grades on exams.

Allow 2 to 3 hours of study time per week, for EACH credit hour taken. For example, if you are taking a 4-credit-hour class, you should be studying 8 to 12 hours. Always remember if there is something you just can't nail, ask your professor for office hours and actually see them.

By Amanda Durski
Staff Writer

For over 23 years, the people of northern Uganda have been plagued by war, inexhaustible fear and loss. Countless children have been abducted from their families and forced into the ranks of the rebel troops. In hopes of providing protection from attacks, the Ugandan government expelled thousands of residents from their homes and relocated them into overcrowded camps. It has been over a decade and over one million individuals still live in these camps. Their lives are a constant struggle to survive the challenges of poverty, disease and starvation.

In 2003, three young filmmakers went to Africa and after seeing the state of northern Uganda, created a documentary showing the realities of the situation. They titled it "Invisible Children: Rough Cut." The filmmakers made a second trip and produced another documentary called "Go."

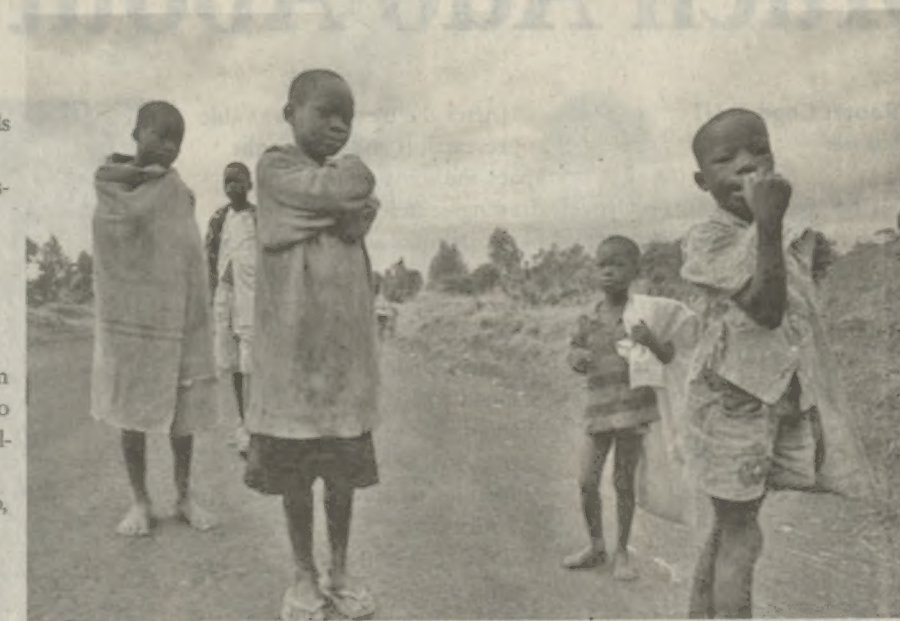
Last Tuesday, "Go" was shown at SU. The main emphasis was on improving the education of northern Ugandan students who have been affected by war and displacement. The children are the future of the country and the government. This need for education was the

springboard for the Schools for Schools program.

The Schools for Schools program is a division of the Invisible Children mission. It is working to change the state of schools in northern Uganda by going to the root of the problem and improving education from the ground up. It hopes to make a change in the quality of education that the area is enduring. To do so, schools in the United States are partnered with schools in Uganda and they are to raise money for an area of need. These areas include: water and sanitation, books and supplies, teacher incentives, construction of facilities and technology. Along with money, schools may collect books for the students in Uganda.

"Schools for Schools can give an equal opportunity for the schools in the North. It can raise the bar so the youth of Uganda will be trained for the future," said Cynthia Perry, an Invisible Children reader who visited SU.

Recently, Salisbury University has



Internet photo

"Go," which was screened at SU last Tuesday, emphasizes the importance of improving education for Ugandan children who have been affected by war and displacement.

joined the Schools for Schools program through the efforts of student Allison Mente. She stumbled across Invisible Children and wanted to make a difference.

"I think that there is so much going on in the United States but the smallest we can give will make a big difference," Mente said. "Awareness is hopefully what will end it all."

SU has currently raised \$270 that

will go towards the water and sanitation of a Ugandan school. Mente is also working on a campus-wide book drive for the students. She hopes to spread the word about the conditions of the North and find ways to earn money and support.

To make a donation or find out more about the program, you can contact Mente via Groupwise or visit the program's Web site at www.invisiblechildren.com.

SU Geography Bowl team on its way to nationals

By Casey Wachter
Staff Writer

Salisbury University's World Geography Bowl team took a victory last week at the first regional World Geography Bowl competition. The Geography Bowl was sponsored by the Middle Atlantic Division of Association of the American Geographers (MADAAG).

Salisbury students competed against Frostburg State University and George Washington University. There were both individual and team rounds which consisted of questions about physical geography, geographic techniques, economic geography, cultural geography

and other geographic trivia.

Robert Eversberg, a senior from La Plata, Maryland, was one of the participants. He answered more questions correctly than any team combined. Eversberg is a geography major with an emphasis in earth and atmospheric science.

According to Eversberg, he just recently became involved with the team. "I hadn't been in a competition of this type since I was in eighth grade - the 1995 Maryland Geography Bowl. I was hoping just not to be the laughingstock really," Eversberg said.

Salisbury's team came out with a win. All three schools will move on to the national World Geography Bowl which

will be held in March 2009 in Las Vegas. The six students who answered the most questions will form a team of all stars to represent the region.

"It's nice to win, more importantly for the team than for me to have a sort of top individual honor. Answering the most questions doesn't mean as much if the team doesn't come away with their own championship," Eversberg said.

During the competition, teammates were able to meet and network with professionals. "I was able to meet the executive director of the Association of American Geographers, as well as some folks from National Geographic,"

Eversberg said. Being able to meet such individuals will give students information about jobs that they may have the potential of getting after graduation.

The Geography Bowl team is advised by Dr. Michael Scott and Dr. Mark de Socio. Both work in the geography department at Salisbury University.

Scott emphasizes that at the national level, competition will be much harder because students from all around the country will be competing. With the win, the department hopes to get a little more notice as they gear up to compete in Las Vegas.

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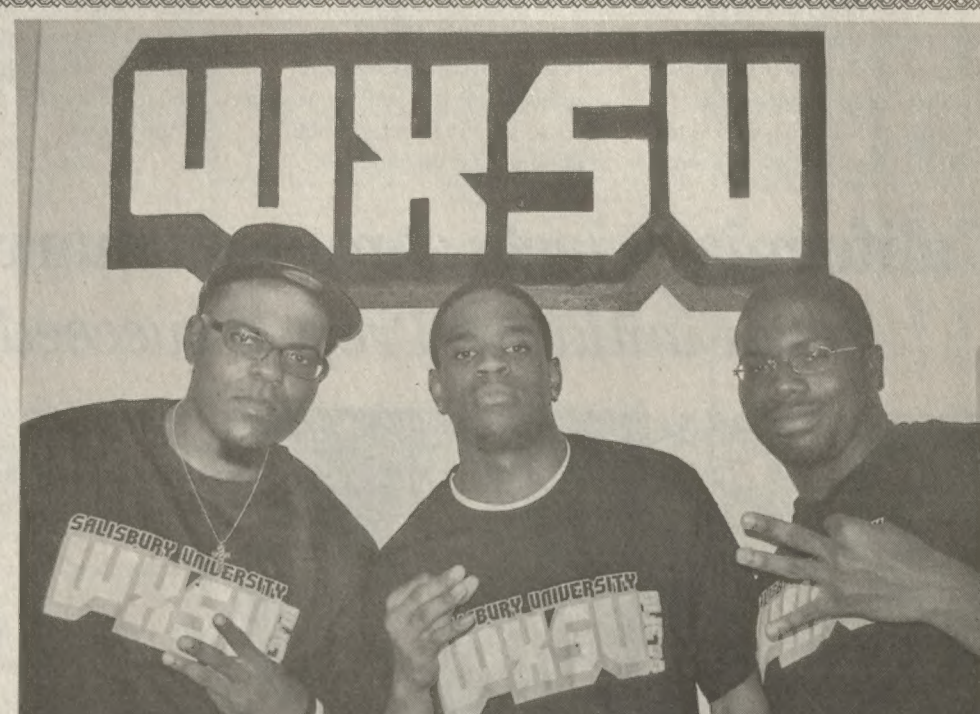
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Charles Weaver and Daniel Swenberg perform Thursday in Holloway Hall. Galileo's Muse is written and produced by Benjamin Wolff.



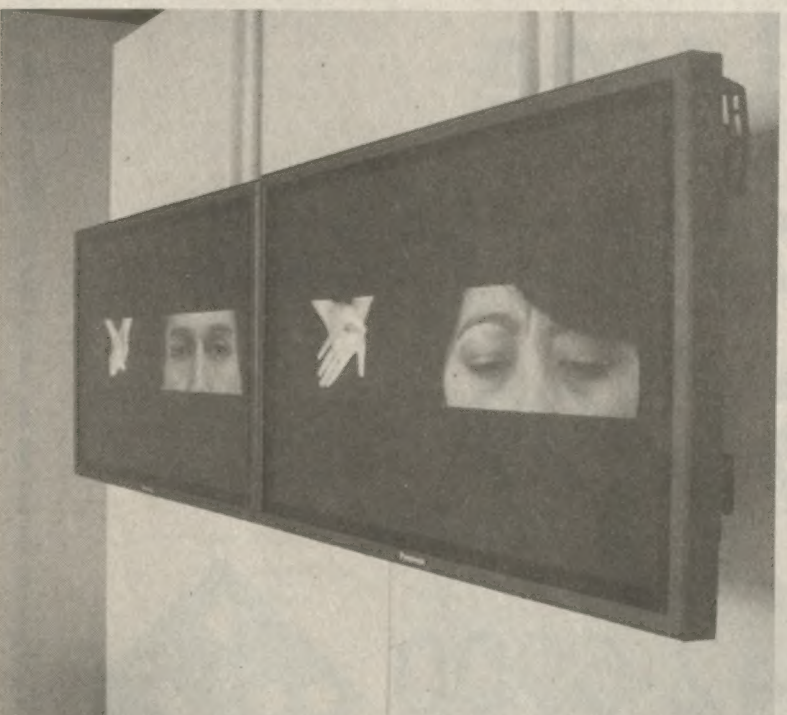
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Junior Michael Zimmerman picks up some tasty Commons' desserts during the French dinner last week.



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Without A Doubt radio show hosts Joe Austin, Aaron Bruce and Fred Hobbs pose outside the WXSU studio. Check them out on Friday nights from 9 p.m. to midnight.



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"Altered Landscapes: An Immersive Environment" presents five unique panoramic cultural landscapes projected on four walls simultaneously. The exhibit, located in the Electronic Gallery in the TETC, runs through Friday, Nov. 28.



R. L. Pusey photo

Writing Center Graduate Assistant Jessica Arnold and UWC employee Christina Feeney hand out applications and information to interested students. Students played word games and munched on candy between classes.



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Service Nation participants Danny Polk and Luke Keane remove a maple tree, which is a non-native eastern shore species, from the Bay Friendly Garden.

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Club Spotlight
Long hours equals success for SU Glass Club

By Jillian Verpent
Staff Writer

Long hours and harsh conditions do not faze the Salisbury University Glass Club. The students who take glass spend at least 15 to 18 hours a week in the studio perfecting their craft and the temperatures in the hot shop reach up to 120 degrees.

Despite the time commitment and amount of work required, the members of Professor Alison Chism's glass class thoroughly enjoy learning and perfecting their techniques.

Chism is currently the only glass teacher on campus and serves as advisor to the Glass Club, which is comprised of students who take glass working classes. Chism took a glass class while at San Francisco University and fell in love with it and says that she loves teaching the students.

"It is so difficult a medium to master, that when someone I am

teaching finally 'gets' it, I have a real sense of accomplishment," Chism said.

In order to create quality glasswork, the mantra "practice makes perfect" holds true. Students need to devote hours of their time to practicing.

"You learn by how much time you are willing to put into it," said Jennifer Drake, a sculpture major with a concentration in glass.

Drake came to SU as a business major but changed her major after taking a few art classes. She has been interested in glass working since she was young; she grew up down the street from a glass studio. After taking a glass class at SU, she was hooked. She wakes up at 4 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday to work in the studio until 12 p.m. in addition to class time she puts in.

Drake is not alone in the time commitment she makes. Club vice president Jeff Mick said he easily spends 15-18 hours a week in the

studio, as do the majority of glass students. The glass club regularly sells their work on campus and does group projects so that their work can be featured. They participated in Oktoberfest and Fun Day at SU.

Currently they are working on making Christmas balls, which they will sell both on campus and at a restaurant in Baltimore. On Dec. 9 the club will have a table set up in Fulton and on Dec. 10 they will be selling the Christmas balls in the Guerrieri University Center, in front of the Student Activities Office.

Club president Mike Benson, a senior glass major, is hoping that selling their work on campus will help the club members get their individual work recognized but also hopes it will get people interested in taking glass.

"The most rewarding part is going home tired after a long day in the studio and knowing that I've been productive," Benson said.



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The members of the SU Glass Club spend at least 15 to 18 hours a week in the studio perfecting their craft. The temperatures in the hot shop can reach up to 120 degrees. All members have taken glass work classes.

Much Ado About Nothing premieres

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

This fall, Shakespeare is revived through the Bobbi Biron Theatre program's production of "Much Ado About Nothing." Directed by Dr. T. Paul Pfeiffer, this production follows various social complications prior to a wedding in Messina, Sicily.

"As I discovered when I revisited the play in preparation for production, it's much darker than most people think," Pfeiffer said. He noted the tension in the aftermath of the Spanish occupation of Sicily. "I wanted to give the new, very talented staff an opportunity to cut loose. And I wanted it to be as rich, florid, lush and romantic as possible," he continued.

22 players take to the stage for this epic production and with them, a large, extensive set. Designed by scene designer and assistant professor, Dr. David Shuby, the enormous set dominates the Black Box theatre. Shuby, along with other designers, began work in August with Pfeiffer to conceptualize ideas for the play.

"[After the meeting I was able to] research it and look at the space the set is going to be in, drawings, rendering, models, plans, painters and details and make sure the shop has everything it needs," Shuby said.

Likewise, other preparations, including costumes, were also planned well in advance. "The average time in the preproduction period, including everything from renderings to miniatures, swatches and many other pre-conceptual designs, took about eight weeks starting over the summer," said costume designer and theatre professor Brandon McWilliams.

"Each person at minimum has 4 built pieces," McWilliams said. He described the project as very aggressive. "The students, building ground up, should be surrounded by their work."

"We're trying to do a lot with time of day. The balance of warm and cool lights talks about where we are in the story, to isolate areas," said Thomas Anderson, lighting and technical designer.

Anderson had to work diligently and effectively to weave lighting together to portray the overall



Andrew Baker photo

"Much Ado About Nothing" opens Thursday, Nov. 13 and will continue through that weekend, as well as the following. The shows start at 8 p.m. with Sunday's matinee beginning at 2 p.m.

mood of the place, especially working with a unit set, or a set that does not change.

The sound designer and master electrician, SU student Brandon Roe, added that the time of day in the play is key in keeping up

with the flow and enhancing the mood and themes of the characters.

Pfeiffer described the work as an "Elizabethan play with the underscore of tolerance." He added it is nothing like the movie.

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Unordinarily S(h)ane Trouble in Mind

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

It's often said that it is only a sin if you get caught. Aside from the guilt though, what are the consequences? I've had many friends who have been on probation but in looking at how they were before, I wonder "If getting caught is so bad, then why do so many people turn over a new leaf after, and why are so many people trying not to get caught?"

At some point in life we've all done something we weren't supposed to, told a little white lie, had a five finger discount shopping spree or even a few cases of the Marley blues. The dividing factor between us all is those who did and those who continue to do. Lessons are an important part of growing and learning from mistakes, no matter how illegal or purposeful it was at the time, it is (believe it or not) a part of maturing.

Ever since my friend Adam was on probation he's changed. He actually looked forward to life, liberty and the pursuit of women, something his prior priorities hadn't allowed him. He'd gone through the rocky stages: being caught, being judged and, perhaps the hardest of all, admitting he had an addiction. Through everything though, he had all he needed to succeed: supportive, non-tempting friends who cared, a strict parole officer

and a will to do better for himself. Now, his Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights are social, but nothing that will keep him from waking up early to go to the gym or studying. His 180 degree turn of attitude is certain to help him in the long run.

I had other friends though who fell through the cracks. If it weren't for friends it's certain they would have dropped out of college. Most of them had notably slower speech patterns and the only time they'd be getting up at 8 a.m. would be to tame the hunger beast at the Light House Diner. Most of them had only two interests: the Marley blues and people who loved the Marley blues. "Where were they going?" I often wondered. No intervention. They hid from the fear of getting caught but was it really helping them?

If you are the company you keep and it's better to join them if you can't beat them, then why not beat it and find new company to join? Company that not only challenges and motivates you but encourages positive change, rather than lurking in the same place wondering where the next drive-in will take you.

The truth is some need intervention as a jump start in order to kick start their life into gear the right way. And if getting caught is something to avoid, then it's perfectly logical to move forward in life, while standing completely still.

German student receives Fulbright Scholarship to study at Salisbury

SALISBURY, MD—An international graduate student from Berlin, Germany, has received the prestigious Fulbright Student Scholarship to study at Salisbury University. Florian Mann's academic exchange is between SU and the Technical University of Berlin (Technische Universität Berlin or TUB).

This program is about "building bridges and connecting cultures," said Mann, who is SU's second Fulbright Student.

He picked SU because of its academic arrangement that allows him to receive a dual degree. An M.B.A. from SU and the German Dipl.-Ing. (M.S. degree) with a focus on finance and supply chain management from

TUB. SU's exchange program with TUB began in 1997. Since then SU has welcomed more than 20 students to campus. TUB is one of Berlin's largest universities, with some 30,000 students from 130 countries.

"We are very excited that SU is being recognized by the Fulbright Commission as an institution that supports exchanges and international education overall," said Agata Liszkowska, associate director of SU's Center for International Education. "We hope Florian has a wonderful experience on our campus, and is successful in fulfilling the Fulbright mission of mutual understanding among nations. We certainly hope to support both incoming

and outgoing scholarship recipients in the future."

Mann participated in pre-arrival activities in Germany with other Fulbright recipients heading for the U.S. He keeps in touch with many of them and planned to participate in other events in Washington, D.C., such as an Election Party.

Born and raised in Berlin, Mann spent seven months of his junior year at Viewpoint High School in Calabasas, outside Los Angeles. He wanted to experience the culture and language of another country, as well as U.S. high school life. Both



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International Student and Fulbright Scholarship Recipient Florian Mann.

son who they think personifies their chapter to be the Panhellenic Association's Greek of the Month.

"The Panhellenic Council then reviews each nomination and picks the Greek of the Month based on grade point average, how active the nominee is in their chapter and what other activities they are involved in on campus," said Erin Rudy, treasurer of Salisbury's Panhellenic Association.

October's Greek of the Month was Jennifer Beer, a junior member of the Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority.

In her sorority Beer is active in their philanthropy which involves Adopt-a-Highway, Relay for Life and Habitat for Humanity. Beer also holds the position of Alpha Sigma Tau's New Member Director. As new member director, Beer mentors each of Alpha

Sigma Tau's new members and helps to teach them the values which are important to their sorority prior to being initiated.

Beer is a psychology major with a Spanish minor and is actively involved on campus. Aside from Greek life, Beer is involved in the Best Buddies club and the Spanish Club. "I got involved with the Best Buddies program my freshman year. Best Buddies is an organization that matches people with intellectual disabilities and college students to form friendships with one another. Best Buddies has influenced my life and helped me grow as a person. It is a wonderful organization and it has taught me more than any college course ever could. The buddies in this program

are some of the most wonderful, genuine, and caring people I have ever met in my life and I really am lucky to have the opportunity to know them," said Beer.

In her academic life, Beer is on the Dean's List and during her freshman year she was inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, which is an honor society for freshmen of all disciplines. In her spare time, Beer enjoys going to the beach, listening to music, watching movies and spending time with her family.

As for plans after college, Beer knows she'll be continuing her education. "Although I'm not positive of what career path in psychology I want to take, I will definitely be attending graduate school after I graduate from Salisbury."

Health Column

A Season of Sneezes

By Laura Bounds
Staff Writer

It's almost that time of year again. The air is cold, holidays are approaching and SU students are sniffing and sneezing around campus. From Thanksgiving to February, it's the dreaded cold and flu season.

Knowing your symptoms can help identify what the infection is. A cold, or upper respiratory infection, is associated with a stuffy nose, sore throat, sneezing, and a hacking cough that lasts 7-10 days. The flu, a strain of the influenza virus, comes with a high fever, cough, headache, muscle ache, chest discomfort and exhaustion for 3-5 days that can last for several weeks.

To prevent catching the cold/flu, keep your body healthy by watching nutrition, resting and drinking plenty of water. "Keep in mind, if you know somebody that's sick, to prevent viral transmission through careful hand washing and maintaining a distance of about 6-10 feet," said Cynthia McCready, Nurse Practitioner for Student Health Services.

If sick, there are warning signs to look for. Be aware of a fever that's 102 degrees or higher and doesn't subside. Watch shortness of breath or wheezing that gets worse rather than better and ear pain that doesn't diminish. "Anything that seems to be affecting and getting worse rather than better after having had the flu for 3-5 days should be cause for concern," McCready said. "Severity is really the difference."

Several over-the-counter medications can help ease discomfort. Tylenol and Motrin aid fever and body aches. "Don't exceed more than 8 regular Tylenol in 24 hr period or you could have side effects and organ damage," McCready said. "Oxymetazoline Nasal Sprays work well for sinus congestion and medicines containing Dextromethorphan help relieve a bothersome cough."

Some of the most effective products contain Pseudoephedrine. However, due to the "Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act," within the U.S. Patriot Act, they are off shelves and behind pharmacy counters because Pseudoephedrine is used in making Crystal Meth. Signed by President Bush in 2006, the act attempts to fight methamphetamine production. Though still available without prescription, photo ID must be shown and products are sold in packs that contain a maximum of two dosages.

Drug manufacturers are now putting phenylephrine in their over-the-counter medications, though it's not as effective. "Phenylephrine was recently used in small studies and found not much better than a placebo in helping congestion," McCready said.

To avoid being sick this year, get the flu shot. A common excuse to evade the shot is the myth that getting it may actually give you the flu. "There is no live virus in the flu shot itself, most people just wait too long and it takes about two weeks to get immunity," McCready said. "If you can afford to take days off school then don't get the flu shot, but if you think there will be a period of time, particularly around finals [you can't afford to miss], now is the time to get it."



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Weekly Greek News Jennifer Beer: October's Greek of the Month

By Danielle Wooters
Staff Writer

Within Salisbury University's Greek life, each sorority woman is a part of the Panhellenic Association and it is comprised of representatives from each sorority on campus. During the school year the Panhellenic Association recognizes individuals for being active on campus and being exemplary students while participating in Greek life.

Every month SU's Panhellenic Association votes on a member of a sorority on campus to be their honorary "Greek of the Month." The Panhellenic Association gives each sorority a nomination form. Each chapter is asked to nominate one per-



Women's Volleyball repeat as CAC Champs

By Jeremy Kummer
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University No. 20 women's volleyball team (35-1, CAC 8-0) capped off the nation's longest winning streak with a CAC crown. The Gulls defeated St. Mary's on Saturday 3-1 to become back to back champs.

The Sea Gulls started their conference tournament against Mary Washington and, after an early scare, defeated them 3-1. Mary Washington put up a good fight in the first game, but they proved to be no match for the Gulls. Senior Stacey Krebs led the team with seven kills, 10 digs and four service aces. Junior Nicole Massarelli defended the Salisbury net with a season-high six solo blocks. "We came out flat in the first set, but a big win in the second set gave us a lot of momentum for the rest of the match," Massarelli said.

After Salisbury's victory over Mary Washington on Thursday, SU

hosted second place St. Mary's (27-6) for the CAC championship. In their last meeting, Salisbury squeaked out a 3-1 win in the Seahawk Invitational.

Maggis gym was filled and Salisbury fans were hyped. "The atmosphere was incredible. I got goosebumps several times through out the night," said senior fan Kelly Withers. After every Salisbury point cheers rang out inside the gym. "It was a special night, the crowd really gave us that extra juice we needed," said head coach Margie Knight. "We are undefeated at home and the fans are a major reason why."

Salisbury came out slow and St. Mary's came out excited. The Seahawks were just a little bit faster and edged out Salisbury with a 24-16 win in set one. St. Mary's was extremely confident, but Salisbury would soon show why they were the number one seed. After an early bump, Salisbury came out in the second game a rejuvenated and

motivated team.

In the second game, Salisbury started to play as they have in their other 35 games. "We were playing an excellent team and we needed to make some adjustments," Knight said. Salisbury was able to turn it around in due large part to sophomore middle hitter Alexandria Malesick. Malesick was unstoppable and powered home several big points. Krebs, Gabby Long, Jaime Marzocchi, Massarelli and Rachael Downes all did their part to give SU back-to-back championships. Senior Stephanie Withers slammed home the game winning kill.

With a CAC title in their back pocket, SU earned a berth in the NCAA tournament, which starts next Thursday against a TBD opponent. "I'm not worried about who we are playing or where. We've worked so hard to get to this point, we're going to enjoy this win as long as possible," Knight said.



SU Athletics photo

Seniors Jaime Marzocchi and Stacey Krebs are presented the CAC championship trophy after defeating St. Mary's College 3-1. Tom Byrnes, SU's CAC Conference Commissioner, is on hand to deliver the trophy.

Terps basketball look for change UMD turns to guard-driven offense

By Chris Brown
Staff Writer

March Madness is arguably the most exciting two week time span for any North American sports fan as the 65 best collegiate basketball teams compete against one another in order to crown the squad left standing as the national champions. On a regional level, the University of Maryland men's team has been to the Big Dance only once in the last four years a fact that leaves the majority of Terps fans stumped, frustrated and eager for change. Gary Williams is entering his twentieth season as head coach of the Terrapins, and now

many seem to have forgotten that Williams took his alma mater to the Final Four for the first time in school history in 2001 and led them back the next season as the Terps captured the national title. Now the focus is on what has not happened.

Maryland finished last year's campaign with a record of 19-15 and went 8-8 in the always competitive Atlantic Coast Conference, but losses to American University, Ohio and Clemson sealed the Terrapins' return to the National Invitational Tournament. "People forget how far we've come. We won 25 games, beat Davidson in the first round of the NCAA. People for-

get that, because everyone has dwelled on the NIT," Williams told the Baltimore Sun this week. Most preseason predictions have the Terps finishing seventh in the ACC, while other analysts have speculated that Maryland may finish lower than that. However, the Terrapins seem poised to compete. Despite losing James Gist and Bamale Osby to graduation, Maryland appears to have enough frontcourt strength to keep them in the conversation until March.

This glimmering optimism can be attributed partly to the arrival of freshman guard Sean Mosley. Mosley played at St. Francis High School, and left the Baltimore school as the second highest scorer in Maryland history with 17 points a game while also providing 6.8 assists a game; but at times seemed weighed down by the responsibility of being a go-to guard for the Terps.

Maryland will face 11 teams this year that qualified for the post season last year, and matches against Bucknell, Michigan and Michigan State will be early indicators as to whether or not the Terps will be dancing in March.



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Maryland point guard Eric Hayes looks for a breakout junior year.

Men's soccer wins CAC title

By Therran Dennis
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University men's soccer team (15-3-3, CAC 5-2-1) won their second consecutive CAC championship this past Saturday as they shutout Wesley College (11-7-3, CAC 4-3-1) 3-0 in front of a huge crowd at the SU soccer complex. Despite the heavy overcast and dampen conditions on the playing field, the Sea Gulls held the Wolverines to three shots on goal and out shot them 22 to seven. "The field held up quite well," said head coach Gerry DiBartolo. "The focus of the team was really good; they realized the game was important. The conditions had no impact on the game."

The Sea Gulls were lead by sophomore forward Ben DeLisle who scored his eleventh goal of the season 15 minutes into the game off an assist from senior midfielder Steven Mellow. Junior

midfielder Kyle Sterling scored his tenth goal of the season and the Gulls' second of the game off of a rebound in front of goal. Sophomore forward Chris Finney scored the third and final goal of the game 33 minutes into the half off a spectacular assist from senior midfielder Scott Sparrow.

The Sea Gulls would have a 3-0 advantage by the end of the second half, despite having many opportunities to run away with the lead. "We were a little unlucky not finishing them off," DiBartolo said. The Sea Gulls had many shots on goal and gave Wolverine sophomore goalkeeper Nick Talatico a run for his money. Meanwhile, junior goalkeeper Greg Wellenhoff improved his 13-2-3 record as he tallied three saves for the Sea Gulls.

The Sea Gulls evened the series as the Wolverines escaped the teams' first meeting with a 3-2 victory earlier in the season, that

loss was part of a three-loss, one tie stretch. "People questioned us on our four-game winless stretch," DiBartolo said. "Now we're playing some pretty good soccer at the end of the year." The Sea Gulls looked ready to avenge their earlier loss and win the conference crown. "We came out and played with commitment and speed," DiBartolo said. "We had one goal for the season, to win the CAC championship. From then on, whatever happens happens."

With the crowning of the CAC championship, the Sea Gulls also earned a spot in this year's NCAA Division III men's soccer tournament. This will be their second appearance in a row and eighth overall in school history. What can the Sea Gulls take from their victory on Saturday? "Anything can happen," DiBartolo said. "We just have to play for the opportunity."

Student Athlete Spotlight

Amy DeMichele



By Rachel Grau
Staff Writer

Senior Amy DeMichele is from Marmora, New Jersey. She is currently a leader of the women's cross country team. DeMichele is a marketing major who began her cross-country career her freshman year of college after running track for two years in high school. Her coach persuaded her to run cross-country in college. DeMichele has played an integral part of the team for all four years. At this year's CAC championship, DeMichele finished in fifth place with a time of 24:29, which helped the women's team finish in first place.

How do you condition for long runs?

In the summer, we start conditioning, and start with two miles a day and then gradually work our way into it and build it up.

Is it true what people say about runners cardio-loading before big meets? Oh yeah it's definitely true. Before big meets we have pasta dinners and we also have nutritional meetings.

What is something that you are most proud of in your running career?

I would say this year is definitely one of my best because I have improved so much. Our meet at Fredricksburg was also very exciting because we all thought we had lost and we didn't find out we won until about 20 minutes after the meet.

Who has been the most influential person in your life? That's tough. I guess my mom because when I came to college I was really iffy on joining the team

and my mom kept pushing me. She always works me through any problems.

What are your hopes for after graduation?

I'm not 100 percent positive but I want to do sports marketing somewhere. I think working with Under Armour would be fun.

If you could be any celebrity for a day, who would it be? Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen because I've always loved them.

If you were president, what would be the first law you would pass? Every Friday, everyone eats cookies day because I'm obsessed with cookies.

Have you ever run a marathon? No but I really want to, I definitely plan on doing it at some point.

Do you think of yourself as a competitive person?

Yeah. I mean doing any sport you have to be competitive, but in a healthy way.

Do you have any superstitions/good luck charms? I try not to because I don't want to get thinking about it too much, but sometimes I wear the same underwear.

Women's soccer loses a heartbreaking game

By Edward Baidoo
Staff Writer

The SU women's soccer team (8-4-5, CAC 6-0-2) lost in the semifinal round of the CAC Soccer Tournament to York on penalty kicks 3-1, after both teams played to a 1-1 tie.

The teams had to play in very adverse conditions as it rained steadily throughout the game. The first half was one that ended with no score, but York was constantly on the attack. They were kept off the board in part because of the great play of senior goalie Gena Goodson, who ended up with six saves. The York attack was concerning because after one-half of play the Spartans had an 8-1 advantage in shots.

This trend continued as the game went on, but despite that the Gulls got on the board first early in the second half when freshman Sarah Jessilions scored in the forty-ninth minute on a

Katie Marshall assist. The Spartans kept attacking in the second half as they put up twelve more shots and eventually finished with a 27-9 advantage and it seemed like a lot of the game was played on Salisbury's end of the field, which made the performance of Goodson even more impressive.

It looked as if the Gulls were going to be able to hold off York long enough to earn the 1-0 victory until the relentlessness of the Spartans finally paid off when sophomore Steph Mergler scored the equalizer with just over five minutes left in regulation. The game then went in to overtime which had no scoring, though both teams had good chances to score and win it, so the right to move on in the CAC tournament was decided by penalty kicks. The Spartans then made an odd move in taking out their starting goalie, Sarah Spanarkel, and putting in Desiree Halaka for penalty kicks. After

each team made their first kick, York made two of their next three shots on Goodson; while Halaka blocked the remaining three shots by SU, including the shot of sophomore midfielder Sarah Koenig which sealed the York victory.

Head coach Jim Nestor's team played hard, but not hard enough to advance in the tournament.

"We did not play well enough for ninety minutes today. It was a hard fought game, but we did not play well enough to beat a team of York's caliber," Nestor said. There were a few little things that played into the eventual outcome including the amount of shots York took and the amount of time the Gulls spent on defense; but another huge thing was fifty-fifties as well and how it ultimately affected the game.

"Fifty-fifties were huge in today's game. When we won them, we played much better and were able to control tempo," Nestor said.

NCAA hopes to fix playoff controversy



Internet photo

Georgia and West Virginia are two teams that find themselves at the top of the polls.

By Tom Watson
Staff Writer

With Texas Tech's upset of former No. 1 Texas last Saturday, the Red Raiders (9-0) jumped from No. 6 in the BCS to No. 2. This would normally make a lot of sense, except that they skipped over then No. 3 Penn State, to put them in the front running for the

national championship game. Though Penn State ended up losing to Iowa this weekend, the potential for more than two teams to finish their season undefeated and at the top of the polls still remains. A problem like this has only one solution: to change the BCS into a playoff system.

Since 1998, the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) has

been in place and is designed to choose the top two teams at the end of the season to play for a national title. Though this is a step up from the previous Bowl Coalition and the Bowl Alliance, which left it impossible for many Division I-A football teams to ever reach the title game, it still leaves room for only two teams to even be considered for the title.

Even though it was designed "to determine the national champion for college football while maintaining and enhancing the bowl system that's nearly 100 years old," according to the BCS Web site, the NCAA does not formally recognize it as a collegiate championship.

Some argue that the BCS has brought in more ratings because it is so exciting. But while the ratings sheets may have increased imagine what college football would look like if there were an eight-team playoff system in place.

According to ESPN's Pat Forde, the eight teams would be broken into seeds based on rankings with the major conference champions granted an automatic bid. Each round of the playoffs would be

played in a bowl, which would still keep in place the current, century-old bowl system. For example, the SEC champion and the ACC champion would play in the Sugar Bowl, with the winner advancing to the semifinals in either the Orange or the Fiesta bowl, and the two champions playing for the national title in the Rose Bowl.

Of course some teams still be snubbed because of the at-large bids, but there is no way around that. Even the 64-team NCAA basketball tournament snubs a handful of great teams each year.

With teams like Alabama, Texas Tech, Utah, Boise State and Ball State all still undefeated and perennial powerhouses, Texas, USC and Florida near the top of the BCS rankings. The clear advantage is that eight teams would be competing for a title rather than two.

It's time for a change in college football. Even president-elect Barack Obama stressed the issue during his campaign last week's Monday Night Football airing. Maybe he can pass a law down to college football to fix this.

Wizards get ready for 2008-2009 season

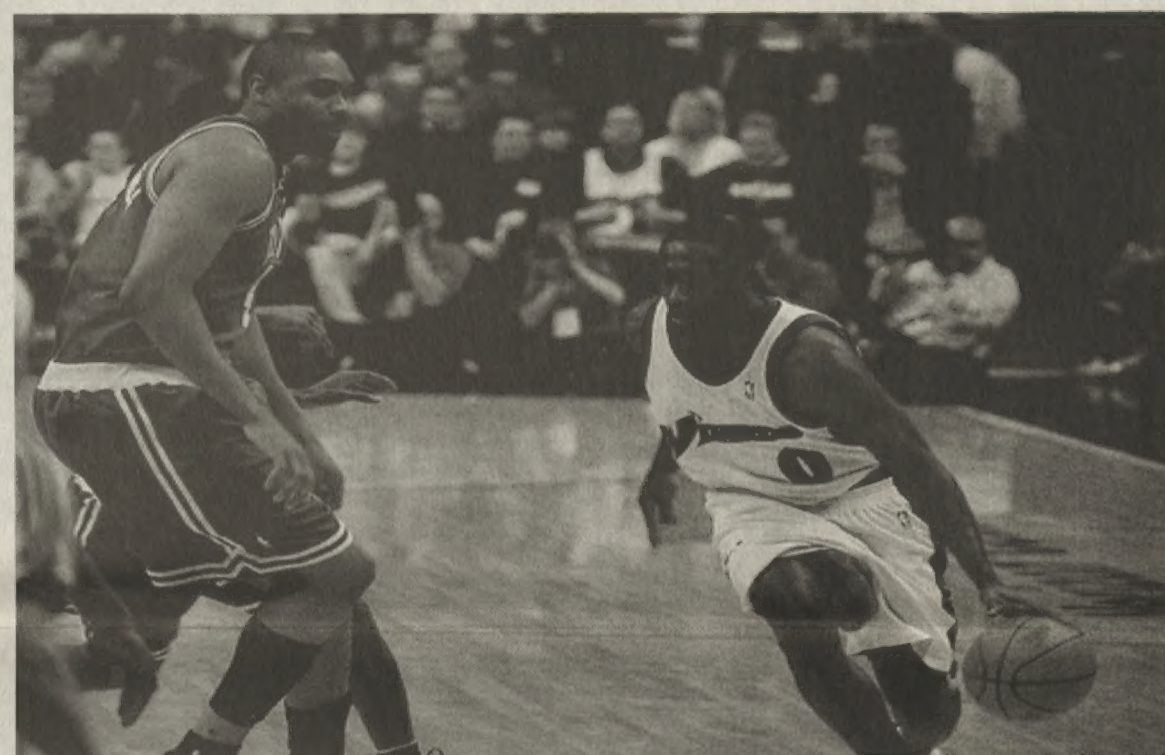
By Wayne Turner
Staff Writer

The nation's capital is home to many different sports teams. One of the most successful franchises is the Washington Wizards. They compete in the Southeastern Division of the Eastern Conference and are coached by Eddie Jordan. The Wizards have started the season without superstar point guard Gilbert Arenas. He had his third knee surgery on Sept. 17 and is expected to be out until at least December. In addition, Brendan Haywood, the Wizards starting center, is out for 4-6 months with a torn ligament in his shooting hand. His return could be indefinite this season depending on his success in rehab.

Caron Butler and Antwan Jamison are taking on the leadership roles. Due to Haywood's temporary absence, the Wizards will need Andray Blatche to be consistent. Blatche will be a key component to the Wizards because of his rebounding, blocking ability and even perimeter shot.

Unfortunately, it takes more than a wizard to win a game of basketball. They have started the season 0-5. The team's first loss was handed to them by the New Jersey Nets. The Wizards' last lead was 75-74 with 8:17 left in the game and New Jersey ended the game on a 21-10 run.

The second game of the season was against the Detroit Pistons. Washington held the lead at halftime



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Wizards' Gilbert Arenas hopes to rebound from off-season knee surgery and provide the team with much needed scoring.

52-51; however, Detroit took over in the second half to win 117-109. Jamison led the scoring for the Wizards with 24 points and Butler finished with 21 points. On Nov. 5 they played their third game of the season against the Milwaukee Bucks who beat them in overtime. After overcoming a 14-point deficit in the fourth quarter, the Bucks were able to win in overtime. Washington had 20 turnovers which was very irritat-

ing and frustrating for Coach Jordan.

The Wizards have had the lead going into halftime 3 out of the 5 games played so far this year but cannot seem to finish ahead. On Friday, the Wizards hosted the Knicks who beat them 114-108, another close battle won by the opposition.

The winless record Washington has of 0-5 could have easily been 5-

0 if they had been winning the first half battle. However late in the game, victory seems to be tough to come by with two significant starters missing from the line-up, which plays a role in clutch time decisions. Expectations for starters and bench players are heightened as a result of Arenas' and Haywood's absence. The Wizards will look to improve until they return.

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Swimming
The SU swimming team split a CAC meet with Marymount on

Saturday afternoon. The men's team won 115-90, while the women's team lost 121.5-83.5.

The men's team was led by senior Ben Overholt and Michael Ferrari. Overholt finished first in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:52.34, while Ferrari grabbed two first-place finishes. Ferrari won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:03.25 and the 200 IM with a time of 2:09.64. Freshman Jason Preston, sophomore Tim Metcalf, Overholt and Ferrari took first place in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of

1:45.76.

The women's side had two first-place finishes. Freshman Robin Stone won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:04.47 and sophomore Katy Turner won the 200 IM with a time of 2:19.18. SU returns home to race Washington College on Wednesday Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. in Maggs.

Men's Soccer

The No. 19 men's soccer team advanced to the CAC championship last Wednesday with a 4-1 victory over the University of

Mary Washington.

Sophomore Mike Napolitano scored off a Greg Taylor pass 10 minutes into the game.

Sophomore forward Ben DeLisle scored eight minutes later to put the Gulls up 2-0. The goal was DeLisle's tenth of the season and his fifth in the past five games.

Freshman Sam Forline scored SU's third goal 31 minutes into the game and junior Kyle Sterling finished the scoring in the fifty-fifth minute. Junior goalie Greg Wellenhoff recorded two saves improving his record to 12-2-3.

New coach has high hopes for Indoor Track

Shawn Nisson
Staff Writer

Although the Indoor Track season doesn't start until January for Salisbury, first year head coach Kevin Lucas is already off to a fast start.

"There is a level of excitement here," Lucas said. "In the past they've never really started this early so that creates some excitement on its own, just the fact that we're getting a head start on where they are usually at as far as conditioning. Once the season starts I think you will be able to tell it made a huge difference."

Even though the team is starting early, Lucas hopes that some of his runners will still be racing in February when Nationals are.

"The big returnees for us [include] Delanie Spriggs. Delanie was a national qualifier last year in the 55 meter. He was an All-American in the 55, he finished fourth in indoor. Then we have Justin Acker who was also a national qualifier in the 55. Bobby Christ in the high jump was a national qualifier last year.

Brandon Jenkins on the throw side of things will be a big contributor. On the women's side Jen Bulger is trying to lead the way in the longer sprints and the middle

distance. And in shot we have some good freshman coming on," Lucas said.

"Right now it's about conditioning and building up a conditioning base. Regardless of the event, everybody should have some type of preseason conditioning. So right now we are working on technique, especially with the sprinters. We are stressing proper form and proper sprint mechanics, and the closer we get to the start of the season we'll get more specific with their training whether it be with the sprints or the throws of the long or short sprints," Lucas added.

As far as team goals go Lucas hopes to repeat as conference champions on the men's side and wishes to finally win a CAC title on the women's side.

"The way track and field works is, the only thing that can be big team goals are trying to win the Mason Dixon competition and the conference championship. Most of our goals are individually based, so we want each individual to run their fastest or jump their highest or throw their furthest so that's probably the biggest thing. As a team I think we just need to continue to improve and keep getting better and continue to make each other better," Lucas said.

Upcoming NFL Regular Season Games

Thursday, Nov. 13

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Sunday, Nov. 16

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SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday-11/11

Wednesday-11/12

Field Hockey NCAA Tournament - First Round
6:00 p.m. Swimming vs. Washington (Md.)

Thursday-11/13

Men's Soccer NCAA Tournament - First Round
Volleyball NCAA Regional Tournament
Women's Soccer NCAA Tournament - First Round

Friday-11/14

Volleyball NCAA Regional Tournament

Saturday-11/15

Field Hockey NCAA Tournament - Second Round
Men's Soccer NCAA Regional Tournament
Volleyball NCAA Regional Tournament
Women's Basketball @ Kean University Tip-Off Tournament
Women's Soccer NCAA Regional Tournament
11:00 a.m. Cross Country @ Midstate Regional
7:00 p.m. Football @ Frostburg State

Sunday-11/16

Field Hockey NCAA Tournament-Quarterfinals
Men's Soccer NCAA Regional Tournament
Women's Basketball @ Kean University
Women's Soccer NCAA Regional Tournament



SU Athletics photo

Junior Michelle Rowe, senior Heather Bernstein and junior Lauren Correll receive a CAC championship trophy from Conference Commissioner Tom Byrnes.

Field hockey makes it 14 in a row

By Ben Muell
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University No. 8 field hockey team (15-3, CAC 6-0) secured their fourteenth consecutive CAC title last Saturday with a 2-0 win at home against St. Mary's. Salisbury's fifteenth victory of the season was a well earned one in what was a hard fought and close struggle for much of the game. Earlier in the week, the Sea Gulls defeated Stevenson University in the CAC semi-finals to reach the Saturday's game.

The Sea Gulls dominated "the new SU," Stevenson University, 7-0, amidst a brutal downpour featuring rigid temperatures and very strong winds.

The maroon and gold was once again lead by sophomore Kandice Hancock who had three goals, all coming in the second half, to go along with an assist. Junior All-American forward Lauren Correll scored the game's first goal, just three minutes into the contest. She was assisted by none other than Beverly Beladino, in what has

grown into a very profitable junior duo. Beladino was not finished; in the second frame she scored on a redirected pass from sophomore back Katie Post. Then only minutes later, Beladino contributed to Salisbury's fifth goal by assisting Alison Bloodsworth.

Sophomore forward Caitlin Walker also added to the win by scoring the Gulls' second goal of the game in the first half, assisted by Hancock. The Gulls outshot Stevenson 27-1 as the defense did not allow a shot in the second half.

Next, the Gulls turned their focus to the CAC championship game. The game remained close even with the Gulls controlling the tempo for much of the contest.

Salisbury, the CAC's top seed, was held scoreless by second seed St. Mary's until midfielder Hancock scored her seventh goal of the season off a redirected pass from freshman forward Bloodsworth with just seconds remaining in the first half.

SU's second goal came 15

minutes into the second time period. Walker created the scoring opportunity by taking on the opposing defense and blasting a shot only to be stoned by the Seahawk keeper, but fortunately Beladino was able to knock the rebound home, increasing the Sea Gull lead to two.

The defense played very well making it a leisurely affair for the maroon and gold sophomore goalie Anna Cooke, who faced zero shots for the second straight game and with the victory improved her record on the season to 11-1.


Salisbury will advance to the NCAA Tournament. The rest of the field for the 2008 national championship tournament is expected to be released early this week. Head coach Dawn Chamberlin and the rest of her squad are looking forward to their fifteenth straight Tournament appearance, twenty-fourth overall, where they hope to add a fifth national title to the Maggs trophy case. The Sea Gulls have won four national championships including three straight from 2003 to 2005.

Sea Gulls look forward to Regent's Cup



Dan McFarland photo

The Gulls (7-2) have put together an impressive season and look to rebound from their loss to conference rival Wesley College when they travel to the Naval Academy in Annapolis to take on Frostburg State in the tenth annual Regent's Cup on Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. Last year Salisbury defeated Frostburg State 35-14. Salisbury will be led by senior quarterback Ronnie Curley (above). In last year's game Curley led the Gulls with three touchdowns.



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